## HOW TO GET GRADE

## Paper: 3 A Essay Writing Tips

There are **5** general topic areas set every year. *Carefully select the topic given under the topic area.* 

## Note: Do not write on topic area.



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## First of all understand the topic and respond accordingly.

- It is advised to write *planning notes* /make bullets , many candidates do so, and those who did tended to produce better and organized essays.
- The **weakest essays** contain spelling errors, a narrow vocabulary, weak syntax/grammar and weak planning.
- Content, Planning, Structure ,Organization , argument and appropriate Language are vital components of essay writing.
  - Linguistically error free, with a wide range of vocabulary, complex sentences containing dependent clauses, use of the passive voice, appropriate use of idiom, metaphor and, where appropriate, relevant quotations will gain more marks
- Develop an argument/comparison where appropriate & illustrate in an interesting and relevant way.
- (proper start + relevant subject matter in proper sequence +proper paragraphing +proper conclusion (concluding paragraph).
- Avoid from repeating the content and vocabulary/phrases etc.
- Failure to present one's argument within the prescribed wordlimit i.e. **250 to 400** words. **reduces marks**.

Marks: 40 (24 quality of language + 16 for content, structure & organization)

*Word limit : 250 to 400* 

Time : 1hr30mn.