

scoring answer writing tips **स्कोरिंग उत्तर लिखने के टिप्स**

DU, SOL, IGNOU BA HONS. POLITICAL SCIENCE EXAM HELP

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First Tips : Analyse Past Year's papers

Topic wise analysis of 3-4 year's question papers shall reveal the question pattern

Select the topics asked repeatedly- select topics to cover at least 70%- 5-6 questions for sure

2nd Tip: Make Intelligent Guess !

Yes, by carefully
analysing past papers
you can guess
expected questions.

Do it with
confidence!

3rd Tip: use the question as answer clue!

Attentively read
question at least 3
times, yes 3 times!

Answers are
expansion of ideas,
issues stated in the
questions

Provide standard
Answers to twisted
questions

4th Tip: cleverly organise your answers



Write 1st answer on your best prepared topic



Choose 2nd best topic as last question



Least prepared topics as 2nd and 3rd answers; Why?



Because examiners pay more attention to your first question, then the last, and least to middle answers...yes!

5th Tip : Strategic writing?



How many words per question? No fixed rule- Normally, 800-1200 words (3-4 pages)



Use standard answer structure (template)



Numbered or bulleted points in 'Body'



Sprinkle and underline key phrases

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ANSWER STRUCTURE

Answer Template: **Political Theory**

- **Introduction**

- Introduce the topic , e.g. democracy
- Provide definition, meaning, and overview of the topic
- Give a glimpse of your conclusion- finally what you want to say

- **Theoretical Foundation or Literature review**

- State the ideas of main political thinkers on the topic/issue
- At least 4-5 names
- In your own words- no need to reproduce word by word

- **Analysis and Discussion**

- Analyse/discuss the topic/issue in view of question asked and ideas/theories stated above
- Provide your own view – **crux of your answer**

- **Conclusion**

- Paraphrase introduction
- State your final view and concluding remarks

Answer Template- Constitutional Democracy

- **Introduction**

- Introduce the topic , e.g. parliament Vs Judiciary
- Provide constitutional provisions, background, issue, and status on the topic
- Give a glimpse of your conclusion- finally what you want to say

- **Body**

- Explain the **constitutional design/provisions**
- 4-5 points with relevant articles

Explain how the constitutional design has been practiced in reality

Provide some landmark legislation and Judicial orders on the issue/topic

- **Analyse/Discuss** the topic/issue in view of question asked and constitutional provisions and case laws stated above
- Provide your own view – **crux of your answer**

- **Conclusion**

- Paraphrase introduction
- State your final view and concluding remarks

THANKS FOR WATCHING!

GOOD LUCK !