# scoring answer writing tips स्कोरिंग उत्तर लिखने के टिप्स

DU, SOL, IGNOU BA HONS. POLITICAL SCIENCE EXAM HELP राजनीति शास्त्र बी ए आनर्स परीक्षा सहायता

## 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

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Tips: Make Intelligent Guess!

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

Do it with confidence!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

# 4<sup>th</sup> Tips: cleverly organise your answers



Write 1<sup>st</sup> answer on your best prepared topic



Choose 2<sup>nd</sup> best topic as last question



Least prepared topics as 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> answers; Why?



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

# 5<sup>th</sup> Tip: Strategic writing?



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



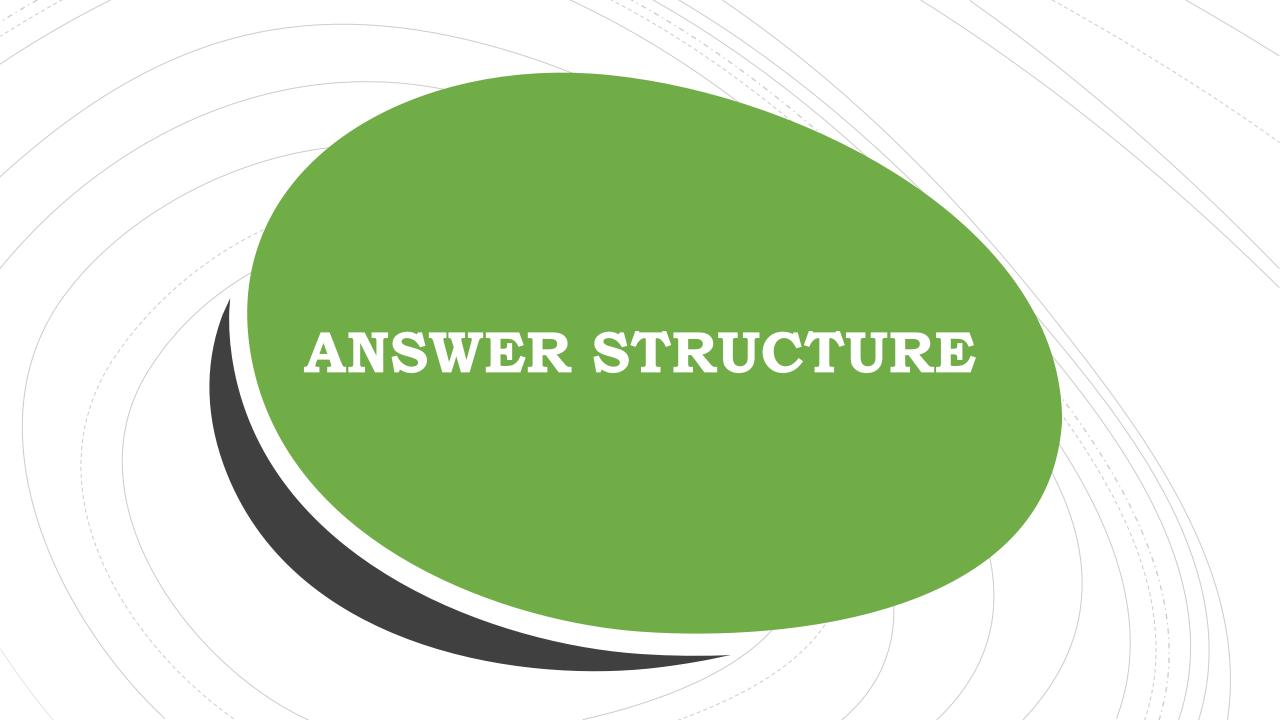
Use standard answer structure (template)



Numbered or bulleted points in 'Body'



Sprinkle and underline key phrases



# **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!