

**Bachelor's Degree Programme
(BDP)**

ASSIGNMENT

2009-10

**Application Oriented Course
on
Feature Writing**



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**APPLICATION ORIENTED COURSE
FEATURE WRITING (AFW-1)**

Course: AFW(E)

Dear Student,

In the Application Oriented Course on Feature Writing, you have to do one assignment only. It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA). The assignment carries 100 marks.

Objectives: The main aim of the Tutor Marked Assignment is to test how far you have understood the course material and how well you can present it in your own words. This is an application-oriented course. Therefore, our objective is to test your ability to apply the principles you have learnt to practical situations. Our assignments therefore, are mostly an effort to evaluate your proficiency in their application. By means of this assignment you will be able to assess how far your practical skills have been developed.

Direction: While attempting the assignment, keep the following in mind:

- 1) Read the relevant direction in the Programme Guide carefully.
- 2) Write your name, enrolment number, full address and date on the top right-hand-corner of your answer-script.
- 3) In the center of the first page write clearly the name of the course, assignment number and the name of the Study Centre you have been assigned.

The first page of the assignment booklet should look like this:

ENROLMENT NO.:

NAME:

ADDRESS:

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DATE:

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- 4) Your answer should be on foolscap paper only.
 - 5) Securely tie the pages together before submitting them.
 - 6) Write the question number of each answer.
 - 7) Write the answer in your own handwriting.
 - 8) Submit the assignments to the Coordinator of your Study Centre. The last dates for submission of assignment are: a) **31st March, 2010 for July 2009 session**, and b) **30th September 2010 for January 2010 session**.

Before attempting the assignment read the directions given below:

1. In this assignment two kinds of questions have been asked. The first are based on the materials presented in the units and the second are application-oriented questions. The first kind of questions test your comprehension of the materials presented in the units. The second kind will test your ability to creatively apply them. Most of the questions are of the second kind as our objective is to give you practical training in feature writing.
2. Read the units carefully in order to answer the first type of questions. Read also the features that regularly appear in magazines and periodicals. These will help you in attempting the assignments.
3. Keep to the word limits wherever indicated. Do not exceed the word limit or you may be penalized.
4. Keep the purity of your language and readability of your answer in mind if you wish to get a high grade.

Only when you are completely satisfied with your draft answers should you write them out in the answer book, keeping in mind the suggestions we have given.

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Max. Marks: 100

Each of the following questions carries **20** marks. Answer all of them in **500** words each.

1. What are the benefits of a feature? Write an outline of a feature on any topic of your interest. 20
2. Read two recently published books of your choice and review them for us. 20
3. Write a feature on women's current socio-political and academic status in India. Talk to a few women from different fields and quote them in your writing. 20
4. What is a cultural feature? Describe different types of cultural features giving suitable examples of each type. 20
5. What is travel writing? How has travel writing changed over the years? Present an account of your own journey that you may have made. 20