

BEGG 173

BA General Programme

(BAG)

ASSIGNMENT

(For July 2025 and January 2026 Sessions)

ACADEMIC WRITING AND COMPOSITION

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Programme: BAG/2025-26
Course Code: BEGG-173

Dear Student,

You are required to do **one** assignment for the course 'Academic Writing and Composition' (BEGG 173). It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks. It covers four blocks of the course.

Guidelines:

As in day-to-day life, **planning** is important in attempting the assignment as well. Read the assignment carefully; go through the units on which the questions are based; jot down some points regarding each question and then re-arrange them in a logical order. In the essay-type answer, pay attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must tell you how to interpret the given topic and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarize your views on the topic. **You should submit the assignment in your own handwriting.**

Make sure that your answer:

- a) is logical
- b) is written in simple and correct English
- c) does not exceed the number of words indicated in your questions
- d) is written neatly and clearly.

Please remember that it is compulsory to submit your assignment before you can take the Term End Examination. Also remember to keep a copy of your assignment with you and to take a receipt from your Study Centre when you submit the assignment.

Last Date for Submission of Assignment:

For June Examination	31st March
For December Examination	30th September

Good Luck!

Note: *Remember the submission of assignment is a precondition for appearing in the examination. If you do not submit the assignment on time, you will not be allowed to appear in the examination.*

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Assignment

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Max. Marks: 100

Answer all questions in this Assignment.

Section A

I Write short notes of about 100 words each on the following:

5x5=25

1. Briefly explain the three basic techniques that can be adopted to analyse the texts that we read.
2. Explain how academic writing differs from non-academic writing.
3. Briefly describe the structure of an argument in academic writing.
4. Explain how a paraphrase differs from a summary.
5. What is an academic discipline? What kinds of academic writing are used in disciplines belonging to the humanities stream?

Section B

II. Answer the following in around 200 words each:

2x10=20

1. Briefly explain how the foundational elements in critical thinking can help in developing good writing skills.
2. What do you understand by the term 'copyright'? Who owns the copyright of a work?

III. Answer the following question in about 250 words.

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1. With suitable examples, explain how argumentative writing differs from persuasive writing.

Section C

IV. Write a well structured composition on the topic:

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"The relevance of 'yoga' in our modern lifestyle."

V. Your college has conducted a survey in the neighbourhood to assess the healthcare needs of senior citizens. Write a brief report of the survey.

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VI. a) What aspects should be considered while writing the review of a book?

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b) Write the review of a book that you read recently.

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