



THE CSS POINT
Yes We Can Do It!

Essay Writing

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Introduction to Essay Writing

- ▶ What is Essay?

The Word Essay means to **Attempt**.

- ▶ Definition

Essay is an attempt to **compose** the **relevant ideas** in **correct, concise, comprehensive** and **concrete** way.

- ▶ Essay is just a literary composition of any given Topic

- ▶ Essay cannot be attractive unless you do not give lightness, grace and ease.

Selecting The Topic for Essay

▶ There will be two types of Topics

1. General Topics: “We have to specify”

(Example: Pakistan)

2. Specific Topics: “already specified”

(Example: Politics in Pakistan)

Note: There is no any rule of restriction to choose the topic, it is totally depend on your understanding with the topic.

*Although General Topics are more easier than Specific

Select Topic for Essay

- ▶ Energy Crisis in Pakistan
- ▶ Status of women in Islam
- ▶ Indifference of Attitude
- ▶ Being a child is no child's play
- ▶ My views about Politics
- ▶ Poverty of our Civil Society

- ▶ Choose the subject you know the best.

Understanding of Topic

- ▶ Words of Topic are very important in order to recognize the real sense.
- ▶ Every Solution Breeds a New Problem
- ▶ Strong Democracy in Future of Pakistan

General Rules for Essay

- ▶ **Rule of unity:** The Rule of unity must apply to the structure of paragraph and sentences.
- ▶ **Coherence:** The ideas expressed in the Essay should be joined together logically.
- ▶ **Proportion:** Proper Proportion should be observed during its various parts.

Structure of Essay

▶ There are mainly 3 Parts of an Essay

1. Introduction

2. Body

3. Conclusion

Introduction

- ▶ The introduction guides the reader into your paper by grabbing attention and introducing the topic
- ▶ An Introduction of an essay generally tells the reader that what he is going to read in the body.
- ▶ An Introduction would consider good if it rivets the reader's attention and suggest him the general aim of the essay.
- ▶ An introduction should be short (**max: one page**)
- ▶ Introduction should be striking and relevant to the subject.
- ▶ Introduction should lead to the subject without any unnecessary delay.

How to write an Introduction?

- ▶ There are three different methods about writing an introduction of essay.

1. Direct Method:

- ▶ Identify the key words and begin with them.

Status of Women in Islam

2. Indirect Method:

- ▶ Start with event, saying, story or statement.

3. Full Statement Method

- ▶ Start with complete Statement which support your topic.

Example: If topic is Status of women in Islam.

“Islam gives high status to women at every step of life”

Thesis Statement

- ▶ A thesis statement is simply an argument that you are going to prove.
- ▶ It is the roadmap for your essay and explains to the reader exactly what you will discuss in your paper.
- ▶ The thesis statement will be the **LAST SENTENCE** in your **INTRODUCTION** paragraph.
- ▶ A basic thesis statement contains the **topic** and the **1 to 3 main points** to support the topic.
- ▶ For example: if the topic is about “Culture of Pakistan”
You can write ***“Culture of Pakistan has a long history, blends traditions from several other cultures, and provides a rich heritage.”***

2. Main Body of Essay

- ▶ Body is just Combinations of **PARAGRAPHS**
- ▶ It contains Facts Illustration and Reflections.
- ▶ Try to place strongest paragraph on the top
- ▶ At least up to 7 pages you must put strongest paragraphs
- ▶ Paragraph must contain one main idea. In every first sentence put your main idea
- ▶ You must justify your main idea in particular paragraph
- ▶ Do not attempt to exhaust the topic.
- ▶ Do not give all that might be said.
- ▶ Avoid using pronouns (I, We, You, They etc...)

How to write Paragraph?

A full and complete paragraph consists of a **MINIMUM** of 8-10 sentences and follows a specific format:

TOPIC SENTENCE (1st Sentence)

The topic sentence reflects which thesis statement point you will be discussing in the body paragraph.

You must **PROVE** your **POINT** by providing **PROOFS** (examples) to support your topic sentence.

You must **COMMENT** on each **PROOF** to further your analysis.

Therefore...**POINT** (topic sentence)
PROOF & COMMENT (x3)

CONCLUDING SENTENCE (last sentence)

Each paragraph should end with a final statement that brings together the ideas brought up in the paragraph and emphasizes the main point one last time.



3. Conclusion

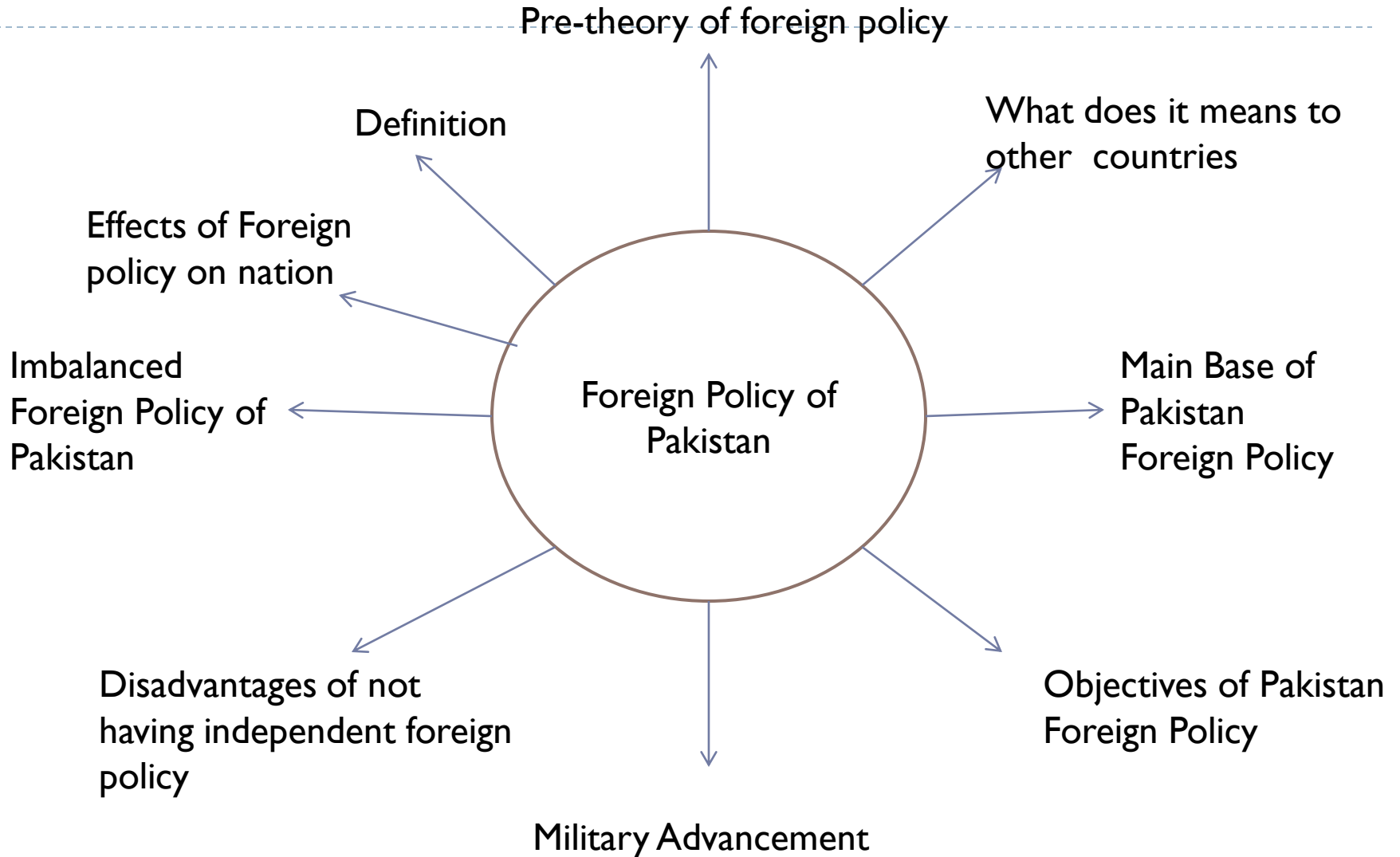
- ▶ The conclusion brings together ALL of the main points of the essay.
- ▶ It refers back to and **RESTATES** the **THESIS**.
- ▶ The conclusion leaves the reader with a final thought and a sense of closure by resolving any ideas brought up in the essay.

RULE: IN ANY CONCLUSION
YOU CANNOT INTRODUCE ANYTHING
NEW!

How to Construct outline?

- ▶ An outline is a general plan of the material that is to be presented in an essay. The outline shows the order of the various topics, the relative importance of each, and the relationship between the various parts.
- ▶ First make rough outline at the back of answer sheet.
- ▶ You must give 25 to 40 minutes to construct a proper outline.

Rough Work for Outline



Questions ?