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Answer the following questions:

First question: (15 mark)

What are the approaches for writing reports, (with explanation)

- **a- Persuasive approach:** when you believe that the reader has a positive, negative or indifferent attitude towards the subject of your report you must use the persuasive approach.
- **b- Direct approach:** when you think the reader will receive the information positively, where you present the purpose at the beginning of your report.
- c- Indirect approach: when you thing the reader might be indifferent or even negative to the information you are presenting you must include details that create a hook to stimulate interest so the reader will continue reading.

SECOND question: (12 mark)

Why are sales letters an effective selling tool?

one reason is **cost** the cost of writing producing and mailing a large quantity of sales letters is less than the cost of reaching the same number of prospects by producing and buying time for a radio or television commercial or producing and buying space for a newspaper or magazine advertisement.

Sales letters can allow the seller to be selective in targeting the audience.

Third question: (8 marks)

What are the principles of writing sales letters?

- Know your products and services.
- Know your potential customers.
- Know your sales are made.
- Remember the basics of effective writing.

Fourth question: (20 mark)

What are the purpose of persuasive requests, and what are the guidelines for these requests?

A persuasive requests is a type of letter that attempts to persuade the reader to spend time or money or to go to some trouble to help the writer usually without benefit to the reader.

- 2 Begin with an appeal that will interest the reader.
- Follow through with the reason for the request.
- State the request in definite and specific terms.
- Stimulate action with closing remarks.
- Reflect an optimistic outlook.

Fifth question:

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(25 mark)

What is active listening and how does this listening help you, and what are its barriers?

Active listening: focusing your attention on the speaker and the message.

- Gaining new information and ideas.
- Making decisions.
- Understanding clarifying and resolving issues and problems.
- Developing relationships cooperation and teamwork.

The barriers:

- Lack of concentration
- Assumptions
- Biases and prejudices.
- Selective listening.
- Distractions.

sixth question: Multiple Choices: (20mark) Denotative meanings are: Definitions of words given in dictionaries. a. Subtle and often emotional meanings. b. That become associated with the words. c.

Just b+c.

d.

b

b

A dictionary is a: 2

All of the above.

Word reference book that provides the definitions of words. a

Word reference that contains synonyms. b

Word reference that contains antonyms.

All of the above.

Just b+c.

3 Homonyms are:

Words that mean the same. a

Words that are opposite in meaning. b Words that sound alike but have different meanings and spellings. C

None of the above. d Just a+b

e

You may choose to use written communication for a variety reasons: 4

Conveying complex information.

Reaching your intended receiver.

Planning your message.

d All of the above.

None of the above.

In Journalistic pattern: 5

We use direct approach. a

The writer presents the reasons that support his view or opinion.

We use indirect approach.

Just a+b d

None of the above. e

In cause and effect pattern:

We use direct approach. a

The writer presents the reasons that support his view or opinion.

We use indirect approach. C

d Just a+b

None of the above. e

When communicating you must be aware of your legal and ethical

responsibilities by:

Being honest in your communication.

Giving correct information.

Include all vital information relevant to the situation. C

d All of the above.

None of the above.

In order to be an active listener, you will need to do the following:

- a Paraphrase what the speaker has said
- b Analyze the nonverbal clues
- c Provide feedback to the speaker
- d All of the above.
- e Just b+c
- 9 Importance of business correspondence:
- a Inexpensive and convenient mode.
- b Help in maintaining proper relationship.
- c Serve as evidence.
- d Just a+b
- e All of the above.
- 10 In business letters we:
- a Communicate our feelings and thoughts.
- b Write letters to supplier of goods.
- c Receive letters from the suppliers.
- d All of the above.
- e Just b+c.

Questions are over With best wishes for success

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