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Written Communication

| Name | Definition |
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| <u>Business Letter</u> | It is the formal way of communication used between the companies. |
| <u>Memo</u> | It is a type of written communication used inside the company. |
| <u>E-mail</u> | It is the fastest method of exchanging digital messages with one person or more. |
| <u>Report</u> | Written communication used in both inside and outside the company. |
| <u>Letter Head</u> | IT is the heading at the top of the letter paper. |
| <u>Salutation</u> | The way of greeting the reader. |

Methods of written communication:

1. Business Letter: Exp. Pg. 41

Standard parts of a business letter:

1- Letter head:

It contains: name, logo, address of the company. It may also contain: a phone number, fax number, e-mail address and other information that the organization or the company finds appropriate.

2- Reference:

It is the number of the business letter.

3- Date:

Ø The appropriate forms for the date is:

- 5th September 20--
- September, 5 - 20--

Ø You shouldn't write the date in the following forms:

- 5.9.20--
- 5(Nov.\Sep.\Oct.\Dec.)20--

4- Adresse:

The name and the address of the receiver.

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5- Salutation:

It is the greeting that begins the letter.

Explanation:

| <u>Correct Salutation</u> | <u>Incorrect Salutation</u> | <u>Used when written to</u> |
|--|-----------------------------|--|
| Dear Miss. Batool Dear Mr. Ali | Dear Batool Dear Ali | A person you know his gender (female – male) and name. |
| Dear Sir\Madam Dear Sir Dear Madam | Hi Sir Hi Madam | When the name of the receiver is unknown. |

6- Subject:

Identifies the topic of the letter (summary).

7- Body:

It is the message section of the letter.

✓ Most business letters fall into three parts:

- a) An opening paragraph, which gives the reason for writing.
- b) Middle paragraph, which goes into the subject with more details.
- c) Closing paragraph, which suggests what action(s) might be taken, either by the sender or by the receiver.

8- Complimentary close:

It is the formal conclusion of the letter.

The form is decided by the form of the salutation, explanation below:

| <u>Salutation</u> | <u>Complimentary close</u> |
|--|---|
| Dear Miss. Batool Dear Mr. Ali | Yours sincerely (when the receiver's name is known). |
| Dear Sir\Madam Dear Sir Dear Madam | Yours faithfully (when the receiver's name is unknown). |

9- Signature:

The signature of the sender.

10- Name and job title:

It shows the writer's name followed by his\her position (job title).

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11- Enclosure:

Any item sent with the letter, such as a cheque, invoice, photograph and form.

The forms of the enclosure are:

- i. ENC.
- ii. A small label with the letters ENC.
- iii. Three dots in the left margin where reference is made to an enclosure.

12- Carbon Copy (CC):

Used when a copy of a letter is sent to someone other than the addressee (receiver).

2. Memo:

It is used to pass information or instruction in the organization.

Example:

Memo

To: Personal Staff Members
From: Personal Director
Date: 22 January 2011
Subject: Computer Training
Cc: Training Director

The next computer training session has been scheduled for Monday January 24 2011 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

To register for the session, call the training office, Ext.8569, no later than Wednesday 26 January 2011.

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3. E-mail, Exp. Pg. 45

The rules in most e-mail policies:

- 1) Send only essential e-mails.
- 2) Do not forward e-mails without the sender's permission.
- 3) Be aware when forwarding confidential e-mails.
- 4) Use only copyrighted materials that you have permission, or have paid to use.

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4. Report:

The format of a report is usually determined by three things:

- ü Audience.
- ü Information.
- ü Purpose.

The report stages:

- 1) Planning your work.
- 2) Collecting your information.
- 3) Organizing and structuring your information.
- 4) Writing the first draft.
- 5) Checking and re-drafting.
- 6) Publishing your report.

Question:

3- Compare between the letter and the memo according to the following:

| <u>Criteria</u> | <u>The letter</u> | <u>The memo</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>Usage</u> | Between the companies. | Used inside the company. |
| <u>Length</u> | Tall | Short |
| <u>Letterhead</u> | Necessary | Unnecessary |
| <u>Salutation</u> | Necessary | Unnecessary |
| <u>Complimentary close</u> | Necessary | Unnecessary |
| <u>Signature</u> | Necessary | Unnecessary |
| <u>Envelope</u> | Necessary | Unnecessary |
| <u>Stamp</u> | Necessary | Unnecessary |

6- State whether the following sentences are true or false:

- A. True B. False C. False D. False E. True