

UNIVERSITY OF MOSTAGANEM

FACULTY OF ARTS & LETTERS

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



First Year Programme of Written Expression

PART I SENTENCE STRUCTURE

1. INTRODUCTION TO THE SENTENCE

(A) **The parts of speech:** noun, pronoun, adjective...

(B) **Mechanics:** punctuation and capitalisation

2. SENTENCE CLASSIFICATIONS

(A) **By pattern :**

1. **SV** (subject + intransitive verb)
2. **SVO** (subject + transitive verb + object)
3. **SVC** (subject + linking verb + subject complement)
4. **SVOO** (subject + transitive verb + indirect object + direct object)
5. **SVS** (grammatical subject (*there*) + verb (to be) + real subject)
6. **SVA** (SV + obligatory adjunct)
7. **SVOA** (SVO + obligatory adjunct)
8. **SVOC** (subject + transitive verb + direct object + object complement)

(B) **By purpose :**

1. **Declarative sentences**
2. **Imperative sentences**
3. **Interrogative sentences**
4. **Exclamatory sentences**

3. SENTENCE EXPANSIONS

(A) **By adding series of modifiers like** *noun determiners, possessive nouns, ordinals, enumerators, descriptive adjectives, (little /old / new), colours, categorizing adjectives ,nouns and other adjuncts.*

(B) **By adding phrases :**

1. **Prepositional phrases**
2. **Participial phrases**
3. **Gerund phrases**
4. **Infinitive phrases**

(C) **By adding clauses :**

1. **Compound sentence**
2. **Complex sentence**
3. **Compound -complex sentence**

PART II INTRODUCTION TO PARAGRAPH WRITING

(A) **Paragraph Characteristics:** unity, coherence, emphasis & variety

(B) **Parts of the Paragraph:** the topic sentence, the supporting sentences & the concluding sentence

(C) **Outlining**

(D) **Kinds of Paragraphs:** narrative, descriptive, expository

(E) **Paragraph Developments:** by examples, by listing, etc.

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