GSSCORE An Institute for Civil Services

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SAMARTH ANSWER WRITING PROGRAMME

Achieve your Foundation of Answer Writing Skill





BATCH STARTS

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JUNE

PROGRAMME FEE

₹ 7,000/-



Programme designed to build **Strong Foundation** for Effective Answer Writing



Gradual Improvement through Systematically Structured Steps



Skill-building Sessions for understanding basics of Answer Writing



Theme - based Practice through 200+ Questions selected meticulously



Performance tests to attain confidence to perform in examination.





Personalised Feedback and Mentorship

COURSE **DESIGN**

GS SCORE'S SAMARTH - ANSWER WRITING PROGRAMME is a comprehensive solution for aspirants seeking to overcome key challenges in answer writing. Balancing depth and brevity, synthesizing diverse information, efficient time management, and maintaining clarity are crucial skills addressed by the course.

This specialized program, designed for a three-month duration, offers tailored guidance and essential tools to enhance answer writing proficiency. Programme will navigate through 3 Stages: **UNDERSTAND**, **PRACTICE** and **PERFORM**.

3 STAGES of "EXPRESSION SKILL" ENHANCEMENT

UNDERSTAND

Designed to make you understand basics of answer writing and decoding questions, its core demand and context.



PRACTICE

A practice and evaluation phase to enhance your skill in articulating ideas and connecting concepts in your answers along with personalized feedback and mentorship for continuous improvement.

PERFORM

The final phase, integrate all skills through subject tests, ensuring there are no gaps left, and you are fully prepared to perform confidently in the actual exam.





COURSE TAKEAWAYS

The course entails a skilling-training cycle, designed systematically to equip the candidates to upgrade their answer writing skills in a step-by-step manner.

PHASE 01

UNDERSTAND

The understand phase has been sub-divided into: Learning & Application

LEARNING

The learning part of Phase I involve the **classroom based learning** of Key skills which are necessary for writing answers in UPSC main examination. These Skills are:



CLARITY: To identify the Context and Central Demand of the Question.



RELEVANCE: To explore and identify the relevant dimensions needed to tap into the question.



DEPTH: Calibration and harmonisation of the extent to which a topic needs to be explored along with its dimensions. And



STRUCTURE: To arrange the info based on the above parameters in a logical fashion to satisfy the demand of the question.

APPLICATION

- It is the intermediate stage bridging Phase I, Understand, and Phase II, Practice.
 Here, the acquired skills are actively employed through tests.
- These tests will be based on specific learned skills, including Clarity, Relevance,
 Depth, and the structure.





PHASE 02

PRACTICE

This phase is methodically structured, offering logical steps to enhance the ability to tackle diverse categories and complexity level of questions for effective and scoring answers. Broad categories are:



ELEMENTARY: This will focus on grasping fundamental concepts and facts, not only serving as the foundation for answering conceptual and fact-based questions but also for strengthening subsequent phases.



MULTI-DISCIPLINARY: In this step, candidates deduce information, connect various dimensions, and build perspectives for a well-rounded response.



OPEN-ENDED: Handling questions with seemingly limitless scope demands identifying and defining boundaries to address the question effectively



ANALYTICAL: Understanding elements and their analysis is paramount, so that dynamic questions can be addressed by coherently presenting topics, concepts and data.

PHASE 03

PERFORM



Once you are trained to tackle diverse categories and levels of question complexity, it's important to write comprehensive subject tests to attain the confidence.



The final stage involves strategic preparation, emphasizing the refinement of answer-writing skills through subjectwise performance tests. This ensures that there are no deficiencies remaining, and you are ready to achieve a desirable performance level to take on any test or exam.



COURSE PLAN

STAGE 1: UNDERSTAND PHASE

WEEK: 01 LEARNING

- Classes on basics of Answer Writing and Daily Practice with Worksheets
- Questions from Previous Year Questions & Contemporary Issue

| DAY | THEME & DESCRIPTION | OUTCOME | |
|---------|---|--|--|
| DAY: 01 | Introduction | | |
| DAY: 02 | Clarity (Its objective is to identify the Context and Key Demand of the Question) | Question Decipher Theme of the Question Identification of Keywords Abstract/Hidden Concepts Tonality of question | |
| DAY: 03 | Relevance (Along with the identification of Context and Key Demand of the Question, relevant Dimensions and Examples are important | Information Recall/Mental Framework Inference and deduction Articulation- Structure and Organization | |
| DAY: 04 | Depth (Critical analysis is important as it enhances understanding, strategy, and proficiency in answering, aiding exam success comprehensively.) | Application of ConceptsAnalytical skills and Critical thinking | |
| DAY: 05 | Structure (The order of arguments and logical co-relation ensures clarity, coherence, and effective communication, vital for showcasing knowledge and securing marks.) | Introduction of Answer Different Parts of Answer Body Part of The Answer Key Directives & Tail Words Conclusion of Answer Bullet or Paragraph Use of Sub-Heads Flow chart, use of boxes and inter-linkages. | |

WEEK: 02 APPLICATION

- It will be 4 day exercise including total 4 Tests.
- Question will be from broad parameters of your learned skills of "Learning" phase which are Clarity, Relevance, Depth and Structure.
- Each test will have 5 Questions followed by copy evaluation and doubt clearing





STAGE 2: PRACTICE PHASE

WEEK: 03 - 09

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Practice of Answer Writing "Expression" Skills through Tests.

- Practice of the learned skills will be put to use through Tests.
- In this phase questions are theme-based and categorised into; elementry, multidiciplinary, open-ended, analytical which will tests your approach, conceptual clarity, analysis and application etc.
- Each Test will be based on the given theme in which questions will be asked on the said theme as mentioned below:
 - ➤ A Total of 21 tests with 5 Questions for each Test covering 27 Themes for GS Mains (GS 1,2,3,4 & Essay)
 - ➤ Three (3) Tests to be conducted every week

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| WEEK | TYPE/THEME | TOPICS | | |
| ELEMENTARY - NCERT BASED | | | | |
| WEEK: 03 | Facts & Figures based | Economy-Indian Economic Development, National Income, Fiscal & Monetary Policy, Agriculture & Associated Issues. Geography - Physical, Human & Economic Geography & Resource Distribution. Environment- Ecology & Environment, Effect of Human Activities on Environment, Water Resources | | |
| WEEK: 04 | Conceptual | Indian Polity- Salient features of Indian Constitution, Fundamental Rights, DPSP, Judicary & Federal Issues Indian Geography- Monsoons and India, Drainage system, Factors influencing the climate of India. Indian History- Art & Culture, Modern India and National Freedom Movement, Significant Events & Personalities. | | |
| MULTI-DISCIPLINARY | | | | |
| WEEK: 05 | Inference based | Environment & Disaster Management: Climate Change, Industrialization, Modernisation, Disaster & Its Management, Sustainability and its Impact | | |

| | | Internal Security: Security Challenges and their Management in Border Areas, Terrorism Threat to India, Organized Crime, Insurgency in North-East. Science & Tech.: Achievements of Indians in Science & Technology; Indigenization of Technology, Issues related with Health. | | |
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| WEEK: 06 | Inter- relatedness, Cross Disciplinary and | Disaster Management- Types of disasters, Disaster Management and Mitigation, Governance-Welfare Schemes for Vulnerable Sections of the population by the Centre and States and the Performance of these Schemes, Poverty, Hunger and Health (Evaluation/ issues/ challenges) | | |
| | Perspective | Indian Economy- Issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development, and employment. Inclusive growth and issues arising from it. | | |
| | | OPEN-ENDED | | |
| WEEK: 07 | Subjective & Open-ended | Polity & Constitution-Parliament and State Legislatures—Structure, Functioning, Conduct of Business, Powers & Privileges and Constitutional Bodies. Ethics- Applied Ethics, Lessons from Life of great leaders, reformers and administrators. Essay-Open Ended & philosophical Essay | | |
| ANALYTICAL & CRITICAL THINKING | | | | |
| WEEK: 08 | Analytical | International Relations- India and emerging Geopolitical challenges, Indian Diaspora, Bilateral Relations. Ethics, Integrity & Attitude- Applied Ethics, Administrative Ethics & Ethics in Daily Life. Indian Society- Features of Indian society, Diversity in India, Poverty & Development Issues | | |





STAGE 3: PERFORM PHASE

Advance NCERT Tests

The learned skills after due practice from phase II will be put to performance through this penultimate stage.

- The Test in this phase will be on core subjects.
- Question in this phase will be framed from the core concepts of NCERT Books and common understanding which is the approach of UPSC.
- Conceptual clarity and depth will be measured by these tests.
- Each test will include 10 questions ranging from moderate to difficult levels.
- Tests will be accessible in students' accounts for 15 days from the date of paper upload.
- Each Tests will be evaluated within 72 hours followed by Mentorship session with respective faculty

WEEK: 09 & 10

| WEEK | TEST SCHEDULE | SOURCE |
|----------|---|--|
| WEEK: 09 | ▼ Test 1- Indian Polity-1 | ▶ Democratic Politic-II (Class X) ▶ Political Theory (Class XI) |
| WEEK: 09 | Test 2- Indian Polity-2 | Based on Application of theories, constitution, Governance, relevant contemporary issues etc. Political Theory (Class XI): |
| WEEK: 09 | Test 3- History & Culture | ○ Class 9 th -12 th (New & Old NCERT) |
| WEEK: 09 | o Test 4- Economy | Class 11th - Indian Economic Development (Chapter 1 to 8) Class 12th - Introductory Microeconomics (Chapter 1 to 5) Class 12th - Introductory Macroeconomics (Chapter 2 to 6) |
| WEEK: 10 | Test 5- Geography | Class 9th - Contemporary India-I Class 10th - Contemporary India - II |



| | | Class 11th – Fundamentals Of Physical Geography Class 11th – India Physical Environment Class 12th – Fundamentals of Human Geography Class 12th – India People & Economy |
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| WEEK: 10 | Test 6- Science & Technology | General Science Book of class 9th & 10th. Application Based Current Events |
| WEEK: 10 | Test 7- Environment & Ecology | Class VI to Class X (Related with basic concepts of Environment and Ecology) Class 12th NCERT: Chapters 13, 14, 15 and 16 ICSE Board Book (9th and 10th Class) |
| WEEK: 10 | Test 8- Society & Social Issues | Indian Society: Social Science: Social & Political Life III Indian Society: NCERT Class XI – Sociology: Understanding Society Indian Society: NCERT Class XII – Indian Society Indian Society: NCERT Class XII – Social Change and Development in |

OUR STUDENTS



UPSC style mock papers coupled with evaluation by faculty members of GS SCORE themselves enhanced my confidence to write answers as per the demand. I am thankful.

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CHAITANYA AWASTHI AIR-37, CSE 2022



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MUKUND S. CHAHAR AIR-273 CSE 2022



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COURSE



Comprehensive Pre-Answer Writing Skill Enrichment

Course helps you to give a head start with respect to how to address your answers. It provides:

- ➤ Provide clarity about essentials
- ► Help to identify your strength and weakness



Internalising Expression Skill

Learning to express oneself clearly in order to fetch maximum marks including:

- ➤ Journey of concept to Questions
- ➤ Time and stress management



Practice based Approach

Theme based practice through various worksheets to sharpen your expression and development of ideas like clarity, Relevance, Depth, structure and validation.



Understanding PYQs

Course trains you to decipher question to concept journey and insights into key trends of Subjects through PYQs.

