

Customization Options in an Email Message

Have you ever wanted to personalize your email to emphasize thoughts or organize ideas? Customizing emails can be very easy if you know a few simple tricks.

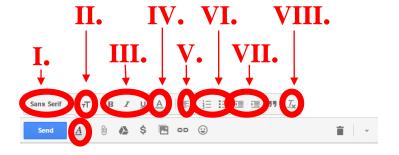
- 1. Open your web browser.
- 2. Go to your email program. For this lab, a Gmail account will be used; however, most email programs have similar configurations. Go to www.gmail.com.
- 3. Click the red "compose" on the top left to start a new message:

COMPOSE

- 4. After entering the recipient of the message, begin composing your email message.
- 5. Now, go down to the bottom bar and select "A" to customize the message.

 Let's examine the basic customization options:







I. <u>Font</u>: Change the look of your text by choosing a different font. Once you select a font, the text you type after will be that font.

II. <u>Size</u>: Change the setting in this box to change the size of the text you type.

III. <u>Font Style</u>: Stylize the text using these three styles, -- (1) **bold**, (2) *italic*, and (3) <u>underline</u>. Click the appropriate button and then the text you type after will be in that style.

IV. <u>Text Color</u>: Click this button to view different colors. Once you select a color, the text you type after will be that color.

V. <u>Align</u>: Change the setting in this box to align the text left, center, or right. This is basically which direction the text starts from.

VI. <u>List</u>: Organize thoughts using either a numbered list or a bulleted list.

Click the appropriate button and begin creating your list. Type "Enter" to begin the next number/bullet.

VII. <u>Indent</u>: Indent paragraphs by selecting the appropriate left indent or right indent icon. Note you can also create sub-points to your "List" (from sub-point six) by clicking on the appropriate indent button.

VIII. Remove Formatting: To clear all customization formatting (such as all of these options listed above), click this button.

6. Once you finish customizing, press the blue "Send" button to send the email.

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