English for Academic and Professional Purposes Quarter 1 Week 1

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**Monday**

Tasks:

1. Create a word map or word web of the terms- academic, text, professional, and writing
2. Define the terms academic, academic text, academic writing, and professional purposes
3. Academic

- used for educational purposes. Used to describes products meant only for school use or university use. More on studying and teaching rather than being technical or practical.

1. Academic Text

* Text or written text used in an academic manner, used in schools, study uses. It is also described as critical, objective, specialized texts written by experts or professionals in a given field using formal language.

1. Professional purposes

* An activity whose reasons require to be in great care, in great detail, being formal and the other characteristics of doing things professionally. The problem or job is what makes it require to be done professionally, for example an autopsy report, court case reports, company documentations etc..

**Tuesday**

Practice Task

TASK 1

Reading Text

From the Autopsy Surgeon’s Report

Death occurred from the effects of asphyxia, cerebral anemia, and shock.

The victim’s hair was used for the constriction ligature. Local marks of the ligature

were readily discernible: there were some abrasions and a slight ecchymosis in

the skin. But I found no obvious lesions in the blood vessels of the neck.

Cyanosis of the head was very slight and there were no pronounced

hemorrhages in the galea of the scalp. I should judge that very great

compression was affected almost immediately, with compression of the arteries

as well as of the vein, and that the superior laryngeal nerve was traumatized in

the effect of throwing the victim into profound shock.

The lungs revealed cyanosis, congestion, over aeration, and sub pleural

petechial hemorrhages.

Questions:

1. Did you encounter difficulties in understanding the text? Why?

2. List down words that you found difficult to understand and look for its

definition in the dictionary

1. How was the report structured?

4. What did you learn from each sentence in the report? Begin with a

simple grid like the one below.

5. State briefly the content of the autopsy surgeon’s report

Answers:

1. Yes, because of the great use of technical jargons.
2. Asphyxia, ligature, ecchymosis, Cyanosis, superior laryngeal nerve,sub pleural petechial hemorrhages
3. Professional and concise, while being direct to the point stating down specific observations done by the surgeon. That is why there is great use of technical words

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| **Sentence Number** | **Topic** |
| 1  2  3  4 | The main causes of death were the lack of oxygen and lack of blood flow to the brain and shock  Using the victim’s hair, it was used strangled to strangle the victim that had caused some marks and discoloring to the neck.  The organs, blood vessels and artery near the neck were damaged indicating physical trauma that is described as compressed  Examining the lungs it showed discoloring, congestion, etc |

2. With the surgeon’s great skill and experience they were able to identify the state of the victim and the causes of their death that shows great evidence that it is a form of murder by strangulation.

TASK 2

Reading Text

State of Country

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

THE GRAND JURORS of the State of --- duly impaneled and sworn, in and for

--- County in the name and by the authority of the said State upon their oath, find

and present:

That one John Doe late of --- County, on the 223rd day of January in the year of

our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Four, with force and arms, in

-- - County, aforesaid and within jurisdiction of the Twenty First Judicial District

Court of ---, for the --- County, did unlawfully, feloniously, with malice

aforethought kill and slay one Porphyria Blank by strangulation.

Contrary to the form and the Statutes of the State of ---, in such cases made and

provided and against the peace and dignity of the same.

Questions:

1. Did you encounter difficulties in understanding the text? Why?

2. List down words that you found difficult to understand and look for its

definition in the dictionary.

3. Discuss the text focusing on the type of language that is used in the

selection. Is this language commonly used in ordinary communication?

4. Share the findings of the Great Jurors using plain language that can

be understood by an ordinary reader.

5. What does the last paragraph of the District Attorney’s statement

means?

Answers:

1. Not really, as it is now a case report on how the victim was murdered by strangulation which is an unlawful murder based on the autopsy report mentioned above
2. None
3. It is similar to a narrative style of writing but uses style that makes it like the court of justice is speaking and is reflected in text. Third perspective type of ordeal
4. With the cause of death of the victim named Porphyria Blank by strangulation being revealed. A proper case of murder is now in motion.
5. That the court intends to punish the unidentified criminal who committed the murder.

**Thursday**

PRACTICE TASK 3

Reading Text

Local Girl Found Slain by Rejected Lover

(Newspaper Account)

Ms. Porphyria Blank, 21, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Blank, of Barton

Park, was found strangled this morning in the cottage owned by John Doe, 25,

who was apprehended on the scene of the crime by officers Bailey and Hodge,

Doe was found holding the body in his arms, and appeared to be in stupor, his

only reply to repeated questioning being, “I killed her because I loved her.”

According to the members of the Blank family, Doe had paid attention to

Miss Blank for the last several months, though it was strenuously denied that his

regards for Miss Blank was returned. Miss Blank’s engagement with Mr. Roger

Weston was announced last month. Mr. Weston could not be reached for a

statement. Mrs. Blank was prostrated by the news of her daughter’s death.

The slain girl vanished last evening at approximately eleven o’clock from a

dinner party given at her parent’s home in honor of the approaching wedding.

The family became alarmed when it was discovered that she was not in her room

and instituted a search for her about midnight. The police, who were promptly

notified, in the course of their search knocked at Mr. Doe’s cottage, a building

some quarter of a mile from the Blank estate, at five in the morning. Receiving no

answer, they forced the door and discovered Doe sitting with the dead girl in his

lap. She had apparently been strangled, Dr. A. P. Reynolds, Autopsy Surgeon for the

county, stated that, from the condition of the body, death must have occurred

at about midnight.

Questions

1. Get a copy of any broadsheet/newspaper and read an article from it.

In a short paragraph, compare this text with the article “The local girl

found slain by a rejected lover.”

2. What kind of information did you get from the text? Did you notice any

similarity/ difference between the two?

3. Pay attention to the words and sentences used in the news article.

Are the words and sentences difficult to understand? Why?

4. Who is narrating the event?

5. How was the event narrated?

Answers

1.

Compared Article

LOCAL GIRL FOUND SLAIN BY REJECTED LOVER (NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT)

“I killed her because I loved her.” This was the statement continuously uttered by an obsessed lover, John Doe after murdering Ms. Porphyria Blank at his own cottage. According to a source, before the crime, Miss Blank attended a dinner party on her family’s home and then disappeared after. Police officer Bailey and Hodge stated that when they arrived at the crime scene at five in the morning, the girl was on Doe’s lap, lifeless. Testimonials from the Blank family said that Doe showed a lot of interest for several months even though he was castaway by Miss Blank. They also highlighted that last month, the wedding of Miss Blank with Mr. Weston was announced. Autopsy of the body reported that the girl was already dead since midnight.

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2. They are structured very differently and some points are in different order. But they still share the same story with similar detail but the second one is more summarized.

3. No, because it is a news article meant to appeal to everyone.

4. From the perspective of news media and reporters

5. Like a news narrative.