

Written TIE Exam – important points to note

In the written test (WTIE) candidates are expected to complete two tasks – one unprepared and one prepared. Sample task types are included in the TIE handbook and on the website. It is very important that students are aware of the restrictions regarding material they may take into the writing test.

In preparation for the test candidates must have prepared a news article and read a book. They will be asked to write about either their book or their news article in the written test. **The cover of each candidate’s WTIE paper is clearly marked as *Book or News Article*.**

Candidates will not be allowed to refer to any material during the writing test.

Please instruct candidates to read the book or news article questions carefully and address the task rather than simply re-writing a summary prepared in class. Marks will be deducted for irrelevant or obviously ‘prepared’ answers especially where there is a marked discrepancy between the prepared and unprepared tasks.

Candidates are permitted to bring in:

- A bilingual or monolingual **PAPER** dictionary – **no electronic devices**. If candidates do not have a dictionary with them they will **not** be permitted to borrow one.
- A pen (blue or black). *Tippex* or *Blanco* may be used but again no borrowing is permitted. Untidy work with crossings-out will not be penalised so long as it is legible.