

# Arranged Marriage Assessment

You must choose one from each column (one from the academic writing side and one from the creative writing side).



"I've fully costed my wedding plans, Daddy."

Academic Writing	Creative Writing
<p>In a MEL-Con paragraph, discuss the following prompt: Marriage in the United States usually occurs after two people "fall in love." Of course, more than 50 percent of marriages in this country end in divorce. Discuss three reasons (your three pieces of evidence) why marriage that is based on first falling in love is or is not a good idea.</p>	<p>From the story, "This Arranged Marriage, Love Came Later," after they met, Ram asked Shoba what words she would choose to express what she wanted in life. She said, "Courage, wisdom and change." Ram chose "curiosity, contribution, balance, family and fun." What three to five words would you select in answer to Ram's question? Choose your words carefully; then explain why each one is important to you.</p>
<p>In a MEL-Con paragraph, discuss the following prompt: Would you consider letting your relatives pick your marriage partner? Take a stand, presenting the three most important reasons why you would or would not consider such a move.</p>	<p>Pretend like you are searching for someone to marry. Compose an advertisement or personal ad which lists your requirements for your potential suitor. In addition to listing what you're looking for, list and describe what you have to offer to a potential mate.</p>
<p>In a MEL-Con paragraph, discuss the following prompt: Are arranged marriages a good tradition or an outdated tradition?</p>	<p>Create a short story in which the main character is about to accept (or not accept) an arranged marriage. Be creative in your plot line!</p>

**No sentence fragments allowed!**

You may use any of the articles that we have read in class or any notes from discussions. You must have a direct quote from one of the articles within your academic writing. Everything must be typed in Times New Roman or Arial 12 point font. This assessment will be worth 70 points (40 for the Academic Writing and 30 for the Creative Writing). The rubric for the MEL-Con is on the back of this sheet.