## Handout for Formal Letter

## **Class VII, Module 1/2**

- $\succ$  The format of a formal letter must be strictly followed.
- $\succ$  It carries almost 1 mark in an examination.
- All the parts of a letter are aligned on the left. This style is called the Full-Block style.
- > The date and signature are especially important in letters.
- Do not use commas after every line in the address.
- When one writes a letter, the following points must be kept in mind:
  - o 1. Purpose
  - 2. Person to whom it is addressed
  - $\circ$  3. Tone one should adopt
  - 4. Completeness of the message
  - 5. Action required
  - $\circ$  6. Use of short expressions
  - o 7. Avoid long complicated sentences
  - $\circ$  8. Divide the letter into three paragraphs

Courtesy: XI, NCERT English text book, 'Hornbill'