

## Personal Statement Help guide

### Section 1 – Why do you want to study this subject? (30% of statement)

- What do you want to do when you leave Al Islah Girls High School?  
**I want to study ..... at <college name> because ..... My passion for this discipline comes from.....**  
**Particular areas of the subject that interest me are.....**  
**because.....**
  
- Do you know anything about the career or course(s) you want to do?  
**After completing research in the area of ..... I understand that it involves .... This excites me because.....**  
**I work part time as ..... and this has helped to understand what is involved in this career .....**
  
- How have you been involved in the subject(s) in and out of school.  
**At Al Islah Girls High School, I have been involved in..... this is relevant to my application to study..... because.....**  
**Out of school I have.....**

### Section 2 – What experiences do you have that makes you suitable to study this subject? (60% of statement)

- Are you studying any subjects in school that relate to the subject you want to study?  
**During my time at Al Islah Girls High School my favourite subject(s) are..... this is because..... In my study of ..... I have achieved..... I also study..... this is relevant because.....**
  
- Do you hold any positions of responsibility that would support your application? What do these entail? What do these say about your attributes?
  
- Have you done any work experience or part time jobs out of school that would help you with this subject?

**II      have experience of ..... as I have worked in this area when I  
..... Out of school I work ....., this has .....**

- Have you completed any voluntary work that would help you with this subject?

**I have completed voluntary work at ..... on a weekly/monthly  
basis ..... this has given me the following skills.....**

### **Section 3 – Any other hobbies or interests (10% of statement)**

- What other hobbies or interest do you have? (not mentioned in section 2) e.g. music or drama groups, sports etc

**At the weekends I take part in ..... I play netball etc for my local  
team and ..... At college/Sixth Form I would really like to be involved  
in.....**

- What have you learnt from these hobbies or interests that may help you at college? e.g. teamwork etc

**Playing in a team has taught me ..... Taking part in ..... has  
helped me .....**

- Do you have any responsibilities at home that may help when you go to college? e.g. babysitting, helping with elderly relatives

**Out of school I help ..... I babysit for ....., this has .....**

- Do you have any special achievements? e.g. any awards or certificates gained in and out of school, special roles in school

**I have completed my ..... and this taught me ..... I have  
represented the school in .....**

**CONCLUSION (written in section 3 box) – Sum up in a few words why you  
want to study this subject, what your aspirations are for the future and why  
you would be a good student**