

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE OF SINGAPORE  
PATENT AGENTS QUALIFYING EXAMINATION  
(NOVEMBER 2004)  
INFORMAL SESSION FOR PAPER B**

Mistakes have been made by past candidates in the Patent Agents Qualifying Examination for Paper B. This table summarises the mistakes highlighted by the speaker, Mr Keith Callinan.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Mistakes</u>	<u>Suggestions</u>
1.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Poor Examination Technique</u></p> <p>Answer is incoherent/unorganized.</p>	<p>Consider the facts and assess them. Look at what has to be done and answer careful and correct reasoning.</p>
2.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Inconclusive Answer</u></p> <p>A candidate discussed all possible combinations of claims but did not indicate which combination he/she would choose to use.</p>	<p>Choose the combination of claims as proposed amendments to overcome the objection(s) in the written opinion.</p>
3.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Inconsistency in the Use of Terms</u></p> <p>Different terms are used in the description and claims.</p>	<p>Use the same word/term throughout the whole answer. Inconsistent use of terms will pose an issue of non-clarity.</p>