

I Semester General English

Subject: **English (First Language)**

BA/BSc/BCom and other UG courses

With effect from: **AY 2021-22**

Prescribed textbook for Semesters I and II: *The English Turf*, edited by C. Muralikrishna and Y.L. Srinivas, published by Orient Blackswan, 2021.

SEMESTER I

Unit 1

POEM: 'In the Bazaars of Hyderabad' by Sarojini Naidu · PROSE: 'The Eyes are Not Here' by Ruskin Bond · VOCABULARY: Word Roots · GRAMMAR: Nouns · SPEAKING: Getting Someone's Attention and Interrupting · POST-READING: Creativity

Unit 2

POEM: 'If-' by Rudyard Kipling · PROSE: 'On Saying Please' by A.G. Gardiner · VOCABULARY: Prefixes and Suffixes · GRAMMAR: Pronouns · SPEAKING: Giving Instructions and Seeking Clarifications · POST-READING: Interpersonal Skills

Unit 3

POEM: 'Ulysses' by Alfred Tennyson · PROSE: 'Seeing People Off' by Max Beerbohm · VOCABULARY: Homonyms, Homographs, Homophones · GRAMMAR: Adjectives · SPEAKING: Asking for and Giving Opinions · POST-READING: Motivation

Unit 4

POEM: 'On His Having Arrived at the Age of Twenty-three' by John Milton · PROSE: 'Shyness My Shield' by M.K. Gandhi · VOCABULARY: Collocation · GRAMMAR: Articles · SPEAKING: Agreeing and Disagreeing with Opinions · POST-READING: Self-analysis

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SEMESTER II

Unit 5

POEM: 'The Felling of the Banyan Tree' by Dilip Chitre · PROSE: 'The Bet' by Anton Chekhov · VOCABULARY: Oxymoron and Hyperbole · GRAMMAR: Main Verbs and Tenses · WRITING: Paragraph Writing Essentials · POST-READING: Decision-making

Unit 6

POEM: 'A Walk by Moonlight' by Henry Derozio · PROSE: 'How the Coronavirus Sparked a Wave of Innovation in India' by Sreevas Sahasranamam · VOCABULARY: Loan Words · GRAMMAR: Auxiliary Verbs · WRITING: Sequencing · POST-READING: Holistic Health

Unit 7

POEM: 'A Different History' by Sujata Bhatt · PROSE: 'Nobel Lecture, 7 December 1993' (extract) by Toni Morrison · VOCABULARY: Portmanteau Words · GRAMMAR: Non-finite Verbs · WRITING: Descriptive Writing · POST-READING: Conflict Resolution

Unit 8

POEM: Lady Macbeth's Speech from *Macbeth* Act I, Scene 5 by William Shakespeare · PROSE: 'How I Became a Public Speaker' (abridged) by G.B. Shaw · VOCABULARY: Simile and Metaphor · GRAMMAR: Adverbs · WRITING: Argumentative Writing · POST-READING: Ethical Behaviour



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Semesters III & IV
(2020-21)

Prescribed textbook for Semesters III & IV: *English in Use: A Textbook for College Students*. Eds. T Vijay Kumar, K Durga Bhavani, YL Srinivas. Second Edition, Macmillan, 2020.

		Semester III	3 hrs of instruction per week
3 Credits			
Unit I	Poem Prose	Charlotte Brontë "Life" Rabindranath Tagore "A Wrong Man in Workers' Paradise"	
	Vocabulary Grammar	Synonyms, Antonyms Prepositions (including Prepositional Phrases)	
Unit II	Poem Prose Vocabulary Grammar	Kamala Das "Punishment in Kindergarten" RK Narayan "Toasted English" British and American English (Common Words) Voice	
Unit III	Essay Writing Vocabulary Grammar	Discursive Essay, Argumentative Essay Idioms Connectives	
		Semester IV	3 hrs of instruction per week
3 Credits			
Unit IV	Poem Prose Vocabulary Grammar	Langston Hughes "As I Grew Older" BR Ambedkar "Grammar of Anarchy" (Excerpt) Phrasal Verbs Concord	
Unit V	Poem Prose Vocabulary Grammar	Tennyson "Flower" Ruskin Bond "The Kitemaker" Commonly Confused Words Determiners	
Unit VI	Report Writing Vocabulary Grammar	Business Reports, Media Reports Technical Vocabulary (Business, Media) Reported Speech (Including Reporting Verbs)	



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Semesters V & VI
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Prescribed textbook for Semesters V & VI: *English in Action: A Textbook for College Students*. Eds. T Vijay Kumar, K Durga Bhavani, YL Srinivas. Macmillan, 2021.

		Semester V	3 hrs of instruction per week
3 Credits			
Unit I	Poem Prose Vocabulary Grammar	AK Ramanujan "Ecology" Henry Hitchings "What's the Language of the Future?" (Excerpt) Indianisms Framing Questions (including tag questions)	
Unit II	Gender Sensitization A Note to the Teachers Prose Poem Prose Vocabulary Grammar	Jamaica Kincaid "Girl" Emma Watson "Gender equality is your issue too" Analogy and Odd Word Out Verbs	
Unit III	Writing Reviews Vocabulary Grammar	Film Review, Book Review Technical vocabulary (Film, Literature) Conditionals	
		Semester VI	3 hrs of instruction per week
3 Credits			
Unit IV	Poem Prose Vocabulary Grammar	Roald Dahl "Television" JK Rowling "The Fringe Benefits of Failure, and the Importance of Imagination" (Excerpt) One-word Substitutes Relative Clauses	
Unit V	Gender Sensitization Poem Prose	Elizabeth Ralph Mertz "Accomplishments" Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie "Third Suggestion"	

Vocabulary
Grammar

Formal and Informal Vocabulary
Sentence Types

Unit VI

CV Writing
Vocabulary
Grammar

Chronological CV, Functional CV
Appropriacy
Common Errors