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1. Course title: Language Proficiency and Personality Development in English (Skill-based NEP 2020 Course)*

2. Course Description:

This 3-credit course is designed to develop the learners' basic skills in speaking, writing, listening and reading English Language. This course aims to equip the learner with basic foundation skills of the language; give him/her an idea of the grammar and also lend him competency to handle the language while speaking and writing. The student will be trained from simple, popular texts, newspapers, magazines and other media. Language lab facilities are also provided to hone the communication skills of the learners. By the end of the course, students will have a working knowledge of the language and will be able to engage in basic conversations in English and also develop some writing skills.

This 15-week course is open to all interested in pursuing skill-based professional courses offered in accordance with NEP 2020. The course is intended for those who lack the basic writing and speaking skills in English.

3. Objectives of the course:

- i. To help students express themselves in simple English and formulate basic sentences;
- ii. To introduce students to simple vocabulary and commonly-used phrases;
- iii. To familiarize students to spoken English through Language Lab material;
- iv. To train students to hold basic conversation in English and also gain the ability to understand the language.

4. Course content:

- **Component 1: Grammar and Vocabulary:** a) Parts of Speech ; b) Idea of sentence in English and its construction; c) Tenses; d) Prepositions; e) Passive

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voice; f) Narration g) Adjectives and Adverbs, Comparison h) Conversion of sentences

- **Component 2: Composition and Translation:** a) Writing paragraphs, letters, Descriptions, Summarization, Writing short dialogues; b) Translating simple texts and short sentences from Hindi to English and vice-versa.
- **Component 3: Reading and Listening:** Read and understand comprehension passages, Questions for discussion, Recitation of poems.
- **Component 4: Spoken English:** a) Introducing oneself and another; b) Engaging in basic conversation of daily life; c) Reading short passages in English; d) Role Plays e) Dummy Interviews

5. Expected course outcome:

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- i. Introduce themselves and others in English.
- ii. Carry out basic conversation using simple vocabulary and commonly-used phrases.
- iii. Understand a speaker when he/she speaks English.
- iv. Read and understand simple texts in English.
- v. Have an understanding of the basics of English Language – structurally and grammatically

6. Evaluation pattern / scheme of examination:

SN.	Type of Exam	Pattern of Exam	Duration of Exam	Marks
1	Test One (Assignment or Test)	Written	90 minutes (class test)	20
2	Mid-term Exam	Written / Oral	90 minutes (written)	20
3	Test Two (Assignment or Test)	Written	90 minutes (class test)	20
4	End-Semester Exam	Written	180 minutes	60
			Total Marks	100 (20+20+60)

[**Note:** For the final assessment, only the better of Test One and Test Two is to be counted.]

7. Suggested reading list:

- 1. *The Diary of a Young Girl* - Anne Frank**
- 2. *Tales from Shakespeare* – Charles Lamb**
- 3. *The Night Train at Deoli* - Ruskin Bond**
- 4. *The Kitemaker Stories* – Ruskin Bond**
- 5. *The English Teacher* – R.K.Narayan**
- 6. *Swami and Friends* – R.K.Narayan**
- 7. *The Jungle Book* - Rudyard Kipling**
- 8. *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* – J.K.Rowling**

Grammar and Usage:

- 1. *English Grammar in Use* by Raymond Murphy**
- 2. *Oxford Practical English Usage* by Michael Swan**
- 3. *Advanced Grammar in Use* by Martin Hewings:**
- 4. *Teaching the Spoken Language* – By Gillian Brown**
- 5. *Spoken English*- By Alison Reid**
- 6. *Ship or Sheep?*- By Ann Baker**
- 7. *Improve Your IELTS* – Listening and Speaking Skills (IR)- By Sam McCarter
Barry Cusack**
- 8. *Word Power Made Easy* by Norman Lewis**

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