



# Shrimathi Devkunvar Nanalal Bhatt Vaishnav College for Women (Autonomous)

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## DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL ENGLISH

**SEMESTER I / General English I / Subject Code: 25UGFC1C01/1S01**

### SYLLABUS

#### **UNIT I – Prose & Poetry**

**15Hrs**

##### **Prose**

- Spoken English and Broken English - George Bernard Shaw
- All about a Dog – A.G. Gardiner
- “Welcome to the Wheelchair of Change!”- Deepa Malik (An Interview given to Sports star, Feb,23. 2017.

##### **Poetry**

- The Chimney Sweeper – William Blake (from Songs of Innocence)
- Ecology – A.K. Ramanujan
- Still I Rise – Maya Angelou

#### **UNIT II – Short Story & One-Act Play**

**15 Hrs**

##### **Short Story**

- The Last Leaf – O. Henry
- The River Stairs – Rabindranath Tagore
- The Neem Tree – M. K. Ganta

##### **One-Act Play**

- The Wedding – Anton Chekov
- The Giant’s Wife: A Tall Tale of Ireland - William Carleton

#### **UNIT III – Grammar**

**15Hrs**

- Parts of Speech
- Sentence Pattern
- Subject Verb Agreement
  - a) Auxiliary Verbs / b) Pronoun / c) Determiners

#### **UNIT IV – Communicative Component –I (Listening and Speaking)**

**15Hrs**

- Word Hunt
- Question Carousal
- Podcasts or Interviews or TED Talks
- Picture Description

#### **UNIT V - Communicative Component – II (Reading and Writing)**

**15Hrs**

- Self- Introduction
- Bio – Note
- Directions
- Slogan/Caption Writing



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**SEMESTER II / General English II / Subject Code: 25UGEFC2C02/2S02**

## **SYLLABUS**

### **UNIT I – Prose & Poetry:**

**15 Hrs.**

#### **Prose**

- Knowledge and Wisdom – Bertrand Russell
- What is Ethics? – Swami Vivekananda
- Silent Spring: A Fable for Tomorrow - Rachel Carson

#### **Poetry**

- Do Not Go Gentle into That Good Night- Dylan Thomas
- Snake – D. H. Lawrence
- The Bus - Arun Kolatkar

### **UNIT II – Short Story & One-Act Play**

**15Hrs.**

#### **Short Story**

- Kabuliwallah – Rabindranath Tagore
- The Red- Headed League – Arthur Conan Doyle
- Interpreter of Maladies - Jhumpa Lahiri

#### **One-Act Play**

- Before Breakfast – Eugene O' Neil
- The Valiant – Holworthy Hall & Robert Middlemass

### **UNIT III – Grammar**

**15Hrs**

- Tense
- Reported speech
- Confusables
- Punctuation

### **UNIT IV – Communicative Component –III (Receptive Skills)**

**15Hrs**

- Social Functions
- Reading Dialogues
- Infographic Analysis (Instructions & Manuals)
- Newspaper Snippet Analysis

### **UNIT - V - Communicative Component - IV (Productive Skills)**

**15 Hrs**

- Describing an Event
- Following Instructions (Report Writing)
- Posters, Advertisements, Greeting card and Leaflet Writing
- E - Content & Twitter Thread drafting



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**SEMESTER III / General English III / Subject Code: 25UGEFC3C03/3S03**

## **SYLLABUS**

### **UNIT I – Life Story**

**15Hrs**

- Wings of Fire (chapter 1 & 2) – A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- The Test of my Life (chapter 6) - Yuvaraj Singh
- I am Malala (Epilogue)– Malala Yousafzai

### **UNIT II – Reflections Through Verse**

**15Hrs**

- The Rainy Day - H. W. Longfellow
- Our Casuarina Tree – Toru Dutt
- If – Rudyard Kipling

### **UNIT III – Drama**

**15Hrs**

- Dance Like a Man - Mahesh Dattani

### **UNIT IV – Fiction**

**15Hrs**

- Animal Farm- George Orwell (Graphic novel)

### **UNIT V – Communicative Component –V**

**15Hrs**

- Mirroring (L)
- Intrigue - Secret Listening (L)
- Speech Organization (S)
- Letters - Types (Appreciation, Requisition, Complaint, Thanking, Negotiation, Follow-up) (W)
- Invitation - Acceptance & Decline (W)



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**SEMESTER IV / General English IV / Subject Code: 25UGEF4C04/4S04**

## **SYLLABUS**

<b>UNIT I –Inspirational Speeches</b>	<b>15Hrs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gettysburg Address – Abraham Lincoln</li><li>• Harvard Commencement Speech - J. K. Rowling</li><li>• I am a Product of Opportunities (TED Talk) - Kiran Bedi</li></ul>	
<b>UNIT II – Voices of Identity &amp; Aspiration</b>	<b>15 Hrs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dream a World - Langston Hughes</li><li>• Australia - A. D. Hope</li><li>• Indian Women – Shiv K. Kumar</li></ul>	
<b>UNIT III – Drama</b>	<b>15Hrs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A Raisin in the Sun – Lorraine Hansberry</li></ul>	
<b>UNIT IV – Fiction</b>	<b>15Hrs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Life of Pi - Yann Martel</li></ul>	
<b>UNIT V – Communicative Component –VI</b>	<b>15Hrs</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contextual Thinking and Critical Understanding -Famous Personalities (L &amp; W)</li><li>• Reciprocate (L&amp; W)</li><li>• Interpret blog (S)</li><li>• Speech Preparation (S&amp; W)</li><li>• Cover Letter/ Resume (W)</li><li>• E- Mail drafting. (W)</li></ul>	