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DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL ENGLISH

SEMESTER I / General English I / Subject Code: 25UGEFC1C01/1S01

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



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

SYLLABUS

UNIT I – Life Story	15Hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Rainy Day - H. W. Longfellow• Our Casuarina Tree – Toru Dutt• If – Rudyard Kipling	
UNIT III – Drama	15Hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dance Like a Man - Mahesh Dattani	
UNIT IV – Fiction	15Hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Animal Farm- George Orwell (Graphic novel)	
UNIT V – Communicative Component –V	15Hrs
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mirroring (L)• Intrigue - Secret Listening (L)• Speech Organization (S)• Letters - Types (Appreciation, Requisition, Complaint, Thanking, Negotiation, Follow-up) (W)• Invitation - Acceptance & Decline (W)	



SEMESTER IV / General English IV / Subject Code: 25UGEFC4C04/4S04

SYLLABUS

UNIT I –Inspirational Speeches 15Hrs

- Gettysburg Address – Abraham Lincoln
- Harvard Commencement Speech - J. K. Rowling
- I am a Product of Opportunities (TED Talk) - Kiran Bedi

UNIT II – Voices of Identity & Aspiration 15 Hrs

- Dream a World - Langston Hughes
- Australia - A. D. Hope
- Indian Women – Shiv K. Kumar

UNIT III – Drama 15Hrs

- A Raisin in the Sun – Lorraine Hansberry

UNIT IV – Fiction 15Hrs

- Life of Pi - Yann Martel

UNIT V – Communicative Component –VI 15Hrs

- Contextual Thinking and Critical Understanding -Famous Personalities (L & W)
- Reciprocate (L& W)
- Interpret blog (S)
- Speech Preparation (S& W)
- Cover Letter/ Resume (W)
- E- Mail drafting. (W)