

ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE (Code No. 101)

SYLLABUS

CLASS - X (2017-18)

SECTION - WISE WEIGHTAGE IN ENGLISH COMMUNICATIVE

Section		Total Weightage 80
A	Reading Skills	20
B	Writing Skills with Grammar	30
C	Literature Textbook and Extended Reading Text	30
	TOTAL	80

Note:

The Board examination will be of 80 marks, with a duration of three hours.

SECTION A: READING

20 Marks

50 Periods

This section will have two unseen passages of a total of 700-750 words as per the details below :

- Q.1: A Factual passage 300-350 words with eight Very Short Answer Type (VSA) Questions. **8 marks**
- Q. 2: A Discursive passage of 350-400 words with four Short Answer Type Questions of eight marks to test inference, evaluation and analysis and four VSA to test vocabulary and comprehension (two VSA for vocabulary and two for comprehension) **12 marks**

SECTION B: WRITING AND GRAMMAR

30 Marks

60 Periods

Writing :-

- Q. 3: Formal Letter (Complaints / Inquiry / Placing order / letter to the editor) in about 100-120 words. The questions will be thematically based on the Main Course Book. **8 marks**
- Q.4: Writing a short story based on a given outline or cue/s in about 200-250 words. **10 marks**

Grammar :-

The Grammar syllabus will include the following areas in class X.

1. Tenses
2. Modals
3. Use of passive voice

4. Subject - verb concord
5. Reporting
 - (i) Commands and requests
 - (ii) Statements
 - (iii) Questions
6. Clauses:
 - (i) Noun clauses
 - (ii) Adverb clauses
 - (iii) Relative clauses
7. Determiners
8. Prepositions

The above items may be tested through test types as given below:

- Q. 5: Gap filling with one or two words to test Prepositions, Articles, Conjunctions and Tenses. **4 marks**
- Q. 6: Editing or Omission **4 marks**
- Q. 7: Sentences Reordering or Sentence Transformation in context. **4 marks**

SECTION C: LITERATURE TEXTBOOK AND EXTENDED READING TEXT

30 Marks 60 Periods

- Q. 8. One out of two extracts from prose / poetry / play for reference to context. Four Very Short Answer Questions: Two questions of one mark each for global comprehension and two questions of one mark each on interpretation. **4 marks**
- Q. 9. Four Short Answer type Questions from the Literature Reader to test local and global comprehension of theme and ideas (30-40 words each) **2x4 = 8 Marks**
- Q.10. One out of two long answer type questions to assess how the values inherent in the text have been brought out. Creativity, imagination and extrapolation beyond the text and across the texts will be assessed. (100-120 words). **8 marks**
- Q.11. One out of two Very Long Answer Question on theme or plot involving interpretation, inference and character, in about 200-250 words based on prescribed novel text for extended reading. **10 Marks**

Prescribed Books: Published by CBSE, New Delhi

INTERACT IN ENGLISH SERIES

1. Main Course Book (Revised Edition)
2. Workbook (Revised Edition)
3. Literature Reader (Revised Edition)

EXTENDED READING TEXTS (either one):

- i Diary of a Young Girl - 1947 by Anne Frank (unabridged edition), Published by CBSE
- ii The Story of My Life - 1903 by Helen Keller(unabridged edition)

NOTE: Teachers are advised to:

- (i) encourage classroom interaction among peers, students and teachers through activities such as role play, group work etc.
- (ii) reduce teacher-talk time and keep it to the minimum,
- (iii) take up questions for discussion to encourage pupils to participate and to marshal their ideas and express and defend their views, and

Besides measuring attainment, texts serve the dual purpose of diagnosing mistakes and areas of non- learning. To make evaluation a true index of learners' attainment, each language skill is to be assessed through a judicious mixture of different types of questions.

Reading Section: Reading for comprehension, critical evaluation, inference and analysis are skills to be tested.

Grammar: Grammar items mentioned in the syllabus will be taught and assessed over a period of time. There will be no division of syllabus for Grammar.

Listening and Speaking Skills.

50 Periods

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Textbooks	
Literature Reader	
PROSE	
1. Two Gentlemen of Verona	4. A Shady Plot
2 Mrs. Packletide's Tiger	5. Patol Babu
3. The Letter	6. Virtually True
POETRY	
1. The Frog and the Nightingale	4. The Rime of Ancient Mariner
2. Not Marble, nor the Gilded Monuments	5. Snake
3. Ozymandias	
DRAMA	
1. The Dear Departed	2. Julius Caesar

Main Course Book	
1. Health and Medicine	4. Environment
2. Education	5. Travel and Tourism
3. Science	6. National Integration
Extended Reading Texts - (either one)	
Diary of a Young Girl - 1947 June 12, 1942 to March 14, 1944 By Anne Frank (unabridged edition) (Published by CBSE)	Diary of a Young Girl - 1947 March 16, 1944 to August 01, 1944 By Anne Frank (unabridged edition) (Published by CBSE)
The Story of My Life - 1903, Chapters 1-14 By Helen Keller (unabridged edition)	The Story of My Life - 1903 Chapters 15-23 By Helen Keller (unabridged edition)
WORK BOOK* - Suggested Break-up of Units for the purpose of classroom teaching only - NOT FOR TESTING (see the following note).	
1 Determiners	8 Comparison
2 Tenses	9 Avoiding Repetition
3 Subject-Verb Agreement	10 Nominalization
4 Non-Finites	11 Modals
5 Relatives	12 Active and Passive
6 Connectors	13 Reported Speech
7 Conditionals	14 Prepositions

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Typology	Testing competencies/ learning outcomes	VSAQ 1 mark	SAQ 30-40 words 2 marks	LAQ-II 100-120 words 8 marks	VLAQ 200- 250 words (HOTS) 10 marks	Marks
Reading Skills	Conceptual understanding, decoding, analyzing, inferring, interpreting and vocabulary	12	04	---	---	20
Creative Writing Skills and Grammar	Expressing an opinion, reasoning, justifying, illustrating, appropriacy of style and tone, using appropriate format and fluency. Applying conventions, using integrated structures with accuracy and fluency	12	---	01	01	30
Literature Textbook and Extended Reading Texts	Recalling, reasoning, appreciating, applying literary conventions, extrapolating, illustrating and justifying etc. Extracting relevant information, identifying the central theme and sub themes, understanding the writer's message and writing fluently.	04	04	01	01	30
Total		28 x 01 = 28 marks	08 x 02 = 16 marks	02 x 08 = 16 marks	02 x 10 = 20 marks	80 marks

ENGLISH - LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

(Code No. 184)

Background

Traditionally, language-learning materials beyond the initial stages have been sourced from literature: prose, fiction and poetry. While there is a trend for inclusion of a wider range of contemporary and authentic texts, accessible and culturally appropriate pieces of literature should play a pivotal role at the secondary stage of education. The English class should not be seen as a place merely to read poems and stories in, but an area of activities to develop the learner's imagination as a major aim of language study, and to equip the learner with communicative skills to perform various language functions through speech and writing.

Objectives

The general objectives at this stage are:

- to build greater confidence and proficiency in oral and written communication
- to develop the ability and knowledge required in order to engage in independent reflection and inquiry
- to use appropriate English to communicate in various social settings
- equip learners with essential language skills to question and to articulate their point of view
- to build competence in the different registers of English
- to develop sensitivity to, and appreciation of, other varieties of English, like Indian English, and the culture they reflect
- to enable the learner to access knowledge and information through reference skills (consulting a dictionary / thesaurus, library, internet, etc.)
- to develop curiosity and creativity through extensive reading
- to facilitate self-learning to enable them to become independent learners
- to review, organise and edit their own work and work done by peers

At the end of this stage, learners will be able to do the following:

- give a brief oral description of events / incidents of topical interest
- retell the contents of authentic audio texts (weather reports, public announcements, simple advertisements, short interviews, etc.)
- participate in conversations, discussions, etc., on topics of mutual interest in non-classroom situations
- narrate the story depicted pictorially or in any other non-verbal mode

- respond in writing to business letters, official communications
- read and identify the main points / significant details of texts like scripts of audio-video interviews, discussions, debates, etc.
- write without prior preparation on a given topic and be able to defend or explain the position taken / views expressed in the form of article, speech, or a debate
- write a summary of short lectures on familiar topics by making / taking notes
- write an assessment of different points of view expressed in a discussion / debate
- read poems effectively (with proper rhythm and intonation)
- transcode information from a graph / chart to a description / report and write a dialogue, short story or report

Language Items

In addition to consolidating the grammatical items practised earlier, the courses at the secondary level seek to reinforce the following explicitly:

- sequence of tenses
- reported speech in extended texts
- modal auxiliaries (those not covered at upper primary)
- non-finites (infinitives, gerunds, participles)
- conditional clauses
- complex and compound sentences
- phrasal verbs and prepositional phrases
- cohesive devices
- punctuation (semicolon, colon, dash, hyphen, parenthesis or use of brackets and exclamation mark)

Methods and Techniques

The methodology is based on a multi-skill, activity-based, learner-centred approach. Care is taken to fulfil the functional (communicative), literary (aesthetic) and cultural (sociological) needs of the learner. In this situation, the teacher is the facilitator of learning, S/he presents language items, contrives situations which motivates the child to use English for the purposes of communication and expression. Aural-oral teaching and testing is an in-tegral feature of the teaching-learning process. The electronic and print media could be used extensively. A few suggested activities are:

- Role play
- Simulating real-to-life situations
- Dramatising and miming
- Problem solving and decision making

- Interpreting information given in tabular form and schedule
- Using newspaper clippings
- Borrowing situations from the world around the learners, from books and from other disciplines
- Using language games, riddles, puzzles and jokes
- Interpreting pictures / sketches / cartoons
- Debating and discussing
- Narrating and discussing stories, anecdotes, etc.
- Reciting poems
- Working in pairs and groups
- Using media inputs - computer, television, video cassettes, tapes, software packages