Gujarat University

Revised syllabus for Compulsory English Course for First Year Degree (Drama) (For 2015 -2016 & Until Further Notice)*

*The text prescribed is to be revised as and when there is a change in the text for F.Y. B. A. compulsory English (Gujarati Medium).

Prescribed Text: Golden Leaves by Macmillan Publishers

Unit — **I** (**Text**) (*Golden Leaves*)

Stories:

- 1. 'A Day's Wait' by Earnest Hemingway
- 2. 'The Last Leaf' by O. Henry
- 3. 'The Boss came to Dinner' by Bhisham Sahni
- 4. 'The Man with the Scar' by W. S. Maugham
- 5. 'The Child' by Premchand
- 6. 'The Thief's Story' by Ruskin Bond

Essays:

- 1. 'On Doing Nothing' by J. B. Priestley
- 2. 'Ram Mohan Roy' by Rabindranath Tagore

Unit — II Grammar (Tenses and auxiliaries)

- (A) Forms and Uses of DO, BE, HAVE as Main Verbs
- (B) Tenses:
 - (1) Simple Present Tense (2) Simple Past Tense (3) Simple Future Tense (4) Present Continuous Tense (5) Past Continuous Tense (6) Present Perfect Tense
 - (7) Past Perfect Tense (8) Present Perfect Continuous Tense
- (C) Modal Auxiliaries (can, could, shall, should, will, would, may, might, must)

Unit III- Grammar & Comprehension

- (A) Prepositions (indicating Place, Time, and Direction only)
- (B) Articles
- (C) Types of Sentences:

Assertive (Declarative), Interrogative, Imperative and Exclamatory (Note: Questions should aim at assessing only the students' ability to identify the types of sentences.)

- (D) Comprehension of a Passage
- N. B.: The passage should be of about 200 words.

Unit — **IV** Composition

(A) Paragraph Writing (in about 80-100 words)

List of Topics for Paragraph Writing:

PERSONAL: (1) My Ambition in Life (2) India of My Dream (3) My College (4) My Favourite Game (5) Mobile Phone and My Life

- STATE/ NATION/ MEDIA: (1) My City/ Village (2) My Favourite National Hero (3) India Unity in Diversity (4) Importance of English in India (5) TV a boon or curse?
- ENVIRONMENT/ SOCIAL LIFE: (1) Pollution (2) Global Warming (3) Trees Our Best Friends (4) Water The Elixir of Life (5) Women Empowerment
- (B) Dialogue writing (in about 80 to 100 words)

List of Topics for Dialogue writing

- 1. A meeting of two friends
- 2. A talk about the drama which you have seen
- 3. Discussion about Examinations
- 4 A talk about a movie
- 5. A conversation on the uses and abuses of social media
- 6. A conversation about vacation plans
- 7. A conversation about students' participation in politics

Recommended Reading:

- (a) David Green: Contemporary English Grammar Structure and Usage
- (b) M L Tickoo and Subramanian: Intermediate Grammar, Usage and Composition
- (c) Wren and Martin High School English Grammar and Composition
- (d) Raymond Murphy Intermediate English Grammar
- (e) Martinet and Thomson A Practical English Grammar

Paper Style for First Year Degree (Drama) Compulsory English

Question-1: (From Unit-I)

- (A) Answer in brief any FOUR of the following questions: (out of eight) (8)
- (B) Write a short note on any ONE of the following: (out of three) (06)

Question-2: (From Unit-II)

- (A) Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of verbs. (7)
- (B) Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of DO, BE and HAVE/ modal auxiliary verbs. (07)

Question-3: (From Unit-III)

- (A) Insert appropriate prepositions/articles. (05)
- (B) Identify the types of sentences given below: (03)

(Note: Questions should aim at assessing only the students' ability to identify the types of sentences.)

(C) Comprehension of a Passage. (6)

N. B.: The passage should be of about 200 words.

Question-4: (From Unit-IV)

- (A) Write a paragraph in about 80-100 words on any ONE the following topics: (07)
- (B) Develop a dialogue in about 80 to 100 words. (07)

Question-5: Unit-I to III-MCQs and Objective type questions only (14)

There will be 14 questions covering topics from Units I to III in form of multiple-choice and Objective type questions.