

Foundation Course FC 102 General English

Course Introduction:

It is impossible for a human being to experience every good or bad thing existing on this earth, but he can definitely learn from the experiences of others. This process of learning can be initiated if he acquaints himself with the literary works of the great masters. Such experiences sensitize the human being on issues pertaining to the struggle for human existence.

Objectives:

1. To familiarize students with the best samples of writings in English so that they can learn the structure of the language as it is used creatively.
2. To orient students to social and cultural issues.
3. To acquaint students with different writing styles of English.

No. of Credits: 2

Theory Sessions per week: 3

Teaching Hours: 40 hours

UNIT	TOPICS / SUBTOPICS	TEACHING HOURS
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selected Stories from Malagudi Days by R K Narayan Indian thought Publication List of stories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Doctors word ○ The Blind dog ○ Iswaran ○ Father's help ○ Forty-five a month ○ Out of Business ○ Attila ○ The Shadow ○ Leela's friend ○ Salvi <p>Note: Short question-answers and theme based short notes should be asked.</p>	10 hours
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arms and the Man by Bernard Shaw Orient Longman Publication <p>Note: Short question-answers and theme based short notes should be asked.</p>	10 hours
3	<p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenses 	10 hours

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject-verb agreement 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preposition 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articles 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modals 	
4	Speaking Skills	10 hours
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pronunciation (identification of sounds, vowels & consonants) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syllable division (from the list attached) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhyming words 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocabulary from the texts 	

Reference Book :

1. Enrich your English
– by CIEFL (Academic Skills book)
2. Contemporary English Grammar
– by Raymond Murphy
3. Essential English Grammar
- by Raymond Murphy

Assessment to be done on the basis of assignments and tests/exam. Tests to be set from the syllabus itself.

Suggested areas/topics for assignment:

1. Literary background of Malgudy Days
2. Literary background of Arms and the Man
3. Paragraph writing using words given in the vocabulary
4. Identifying grammatical errors
5. Correcting grammatical errors

Seminar topics

1. Life and works of R K Narayan
2. Life and works of Bernard Shaw
3. Comparison of the stories of Malgudy days with the TV serial Malgudi days.
4. The picture of India as presented in R K Narayan's short stories(other than the ten stories given in the syllabus)
5. Importance of reading in Language learning

List of Syllables:

1. Ominous – omlinous
2. Doctor - doctor
3. Repeat – relpeat
4. Whimper – whimper
5. Auspicious – ausplicious
6. Opportunity – oplportunlity
7. Extricate – exltricate
8. Goad – goad (mono syllable word)
9. Examination – examlinlation
10. Deliberate – delliberlate
11. Isolate – isollate
12. Palpitate – pallpiltate
13. Amount – amount (mono syllabic word)
14. Humiliation – Hulmililation
15. Moustache – mousltache
16. Deliver – delliver
17. Impatient – impaltient
18. Starvation – starlvaltion
19. Excruciating – exlcrulilatling
20. Resignation – reslignaltion
21. Gramophone – gramolphone
22. Fashionable – fashlionable
23. Numerous – nulmerlous
24. Disappointment – dislap|pointlment
25. Formidableness – forlmidlablelness

26. Puppy – puppy (monosyllabic word)
27. Misunderstanding – mislunderstanding
28. Occasionally – oclcasionlally
29. Consideration – considlerlation
30. Father – father (monosyllabic word)
31. Minimum – minilimum
32. Ordinary – ordinary
33. Catalogue – catallogue
34. Illustrate – illluslrate
35. Magician – malgilcian
36. Jewellery – jewlellery
37. Classification – clasilfilcaltion
38. Demand – delmand
39. Notwithstanding – notwithstanding
40. Ungrateful – un|gratelful

Word	Meaning	Noun	Verb	Adjective
admire	to think of with pleasure and respect	admiration	Admire	Admirable
amusement	enjoyment	amusement	amuse	amusing
challenge	to invite to compete against one in fight, match, etc.	challenge	challenge	challenging
cheerful	happy and optimistic	cheerfulness	cheer	cheerful
Civilized	without roughness of manner or style civility	civility	Civilize	Civil,civilized
curable	that can be cured	cure	cure	curable
dear	Much loved	Dear	Endear	Dear
deceit	The act of deceiving	Deceit	Deceive	Deceitful
defy	Openly refuse to obey	Defiance	Defy	Defiant
disgusting	Very unpleasant	Disgust	Disgust	Disgusting
Dishearten	Discourage	Disheartenment	Dishearten	Disheartening
disposition	inclination	Disposition	Dispose	Disposed
dream	A long-held wish	Dream	Dream	Dreamy
eatable	fit to be consumed as food	eatery, eatables	Eat	Eatable
Enchanted	Charmed	Enchantment	Enchant	Enchanted
energetic	full of energy	Energy	Energise	Energetic
Envy	the feeling you have towards someone when you wish you had their qualities	Envy	Envy	Envious

excitable	easily excited	Excitement	Excite	Excitable
Flash	to appear as a sudden very bright flame or flare	Flash	Flash	Flashy
foolish	without good sense	Foolishness	Befool	Foolish
glorious	bringing glory	Glory	glorify	glorious
Imagination	the ability to imagine	Imagination	Imagine	Imaginative
Inspire	To motivate	Inspiration	Inspire	Inspiring
Insult	to be rude to	Insult	Insult	Insulting
Meanness	Unkindness	Meanness	Mean	Mean
Noble	Decent	Nobility	Ennoble	Noble
Professional	working in one of the professions	profession	professionalize	Professional
Realize	to change into money, to make real	realization	realize	Realizable
Recommendation	the act of recommending	Recommendation	recommend	recommended
reconciliation	bringing back of friendly relations	Reconciliation	reconcile	reconciliable
refined	made pure	refinement	refine	Refined
ridiculous	silly or unreasonable	ridicule	Ridicule	ridiculous
romantic	showing strong feelings of love	romanticism	romanticize	Romantic
safe	protected from danger or risk	Safety	Save	Safe
Scatter	to spread widely in all directions	Scatter	Scatter	scattered
Slash	To reduce	Slasher	Slash	Slashing
Thrilling	To feel a thrill	Thrill	Thrill	Thrilling
wonder	a feeling of surprise and admiration	Wonder	Wonder	wonderful
worship	religious feelings of love, respect and admiration	Worship	Worship	Worshipful