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 of 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.