

English Syllabus-Semester-I

W.E.F.2020-21
English Praxis Course-I

A Course in Communication and Soft Skills

- I. **UNIT: Listening Skills**
 - i. Importance of Listening
 - ii. Types of Listening
 - iii. Barriers to Listening
 - iv. Effective Listening
- II. **UNIT: Speaking Skills**
 - a. Sounds of English: Vowels and Consonants
 - b. Word Accent
 - c. Intonation
- III. **UNIT: Grammar**
 - a) Concord
 - b) Modals
 - c) Tenses (Present/Past/Future)
 - d) Articles
 - e) Prepositions
 - f) Question Tags
 - g) Sentence Transformation (Voice, Reported Speech & Degrees of Comparison)
 - h) Error Correction
- IV. **UNIT: Writing**
 - i. Punctuation
 - ii. Spelling
 - iii. Paragraph Writing
- V. **UNIT: Soft Skills**
 - a. SWOC
 - b. Attitude
 - c. Emotional Intelligence
 - d. Telephone Etiquette
 - e. Interpersonal Skills

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ENGLISH PRAXIS COURSE-1
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GENERAL ENGLISH MODEL PAPER

Time: 3 hours

Max Marks: 75

1. Answer any THREE of the following questions (3X5=15)
 - a) What is the importance of Listening?
 - b) Write a note on the types of Listening?
 - c) What are the barriers to listening?
 - d) Explain the strategies for effective listening.
 - e) Describe the traits of a good listener.

2. Answer any TWO of the following questions (2X5=10)
 - a. Write about consonant sounds with examples.
 - b. Explain Word Accent
 - c. What are the different kinds of intonation?
 - d. Mark the stress of the following words.
i) itself ii) alone iii) wonderful iv) pronunciation v) Electricity

3. Attempt the following questions: (2X1=2)
 - a. Concord
(i) Each of the cars_____ very well designed by the company.
(ii) The average worker's earnings_____ gone up dramatically
 - b. Fill in the blanks with suitable Modals: (2X1=2)
(i) Do we_____ to take our certificates for the Interview?
(ii) You_____ get an easy question paper this time.
 - c. Fill in the blanks with appropriate forms of the Verbs given in brackets. (5X1=5)
(i) Satya_____(come) to college regularly.
(ii) When the police came, the thief_____(escape)
(iii) The President_____(address) the public tomorrow
(iv) I_____(live) in a pent house for the last six months.
(iv) Aishu_____(go) to school now.
 - d. Fill in the blanks with suitable Articles: (2x1=2)
(i) I met_____ European last month
(ii)_____ poor need our support.
 - e. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions (2x1=2)
(i) The patient is suffering_____ fever
(ii) The sweets are distributed_____ children.
 - f. Add Question Tags to the following statements (2x1=2)
(i) Sita is not writing_____?
(ii) I am late,_____?
 - g. Transform the following sentences as directed. (5x1=5)

- (i) The officer ordered the soldiers to open fire(change it into Direct speech)
- (ii) Akbar is one of the greatest kings(change it into positive degree)
- (iii) Bhavanasays,"I write a novel"(change it into Indirect speech)
- (iv) Jim Corbett had killed many tigers(Change it into passive voice)
- (iv) Mary is as clever as Lily. (Change it into Comparative degree).

h. Correct the following sentences (5x1=5)

- (i) could you return back the library cards to me, please
- (ii) The painting is too beautiful.
- (iii) Ram camped besides the lake.
- (iv) I have read the book yesterday.
- (v) The news are very pathetic.

4. Answer any TWO of the following questions. (2x5=10)

i. Punctuate the following

The dog grinned sardonically down on him over the edge for a moment as if he thought it would be a good lark to drop the cartridge down on jim.

ii. Pick out the correct word:

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| a) A. company | B. Compony | C. Kompony | D. Komphony |
| b) A. Techanology | B. Technalogy | C. Tachnology | D. Technology |
| c) A. achievement | B. acheivement | C. acheevement | D. achieevement |
| d) A. psychology | B. Psychologi | C. acheevement | D. achieevement |
| e) A. Occassion | B. occasion | C. Occaassion | D. occasion |

iii. Write a meaningful paragraph using the hints given below and suggest a suitable title

Reading hobby---good and bad books---of the hour and forever---books as best companions--- they entertain, educate and enlighten---make one forget one's loneliness.


iv) Expand any one of the following idea:

- a) A stitch in time saves nine
- b) Rome was not built in a day.

5. Answer any THREE of the following questions: (3x5=15)

- a. What are the benefits of 'SWOC' analysis?
- b. Explain the importance of positive attitude. How can we develop it?
- c. Describe the qualities needed to develop emotional intelligence
- d. What is Telephone Etiquette? Explain
- e. How do you demonstrate good interpersonal skills?

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