

## 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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**FIRST SEMESTER**  
**Under CBCS W.E.F. 2020-21**  
**ENGLISH PRAXIS COURSE-1**  
**A COURSE IN COMMUNICATION AND SOFT SKILLS**  
**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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