

ENG - 201 : English Composition

Module Objectives

This course aims to develop students' skill in oral and written communication in English language.

Contents

Intensive practice to improve listening comprehension for both daily and academic needs: the focus shall be on development of active listening habit and utilizing oral information in a variety of contexts. Grammatical and structural review of English: use of common structure in the English language, review of standard grammatical forms and their application in a variety of writing formats. Reading comprehension: development of reading comprehension proficiency from Information Technology related subject areas.

Detailed Course

Unit 1:

LH 6

Orientation on varieties of English, <Am E> and <Br E>+Spoken and written English, Formal and Informal English, Impersonal Style, Polite and Familiar language, Tactful and Tentative Literary, Rhetorical.

Unit 2:

LH 6

Intonation: Stressed and Unstressed Syllables / words, Tone Unit, Falling Intonation, Rising and Fall-Rise Intonation.

Unit 3:

LH 8

Concepts of Nouns – Countable / Mass, Group, Unit, Measure species, Abstraction, etc. (exercise work) Restrictive and Non-Restrictive meaning, Present Tense – State, Event, Habit, Progressive, Temporary habit. Past Tense and Future Tense. Time-when-adverb, Prepositional phrase, Noun phrase + ago, Adverbial Clause. Place – Adverb, Prepositional phrase, Noun Phrase + away, adverbial clause. Manner, Means Instrument, Role, Standard, Viewpoint, Conditional Sentences, Open and Hypothetical Conditions.

Unit 4:

LH 6

Different types of Questions – Positive, Standard, Tag, Negative, WH-word, Polite, Short, Echo. Reported speech, Denial and Affirmation, Agreement and Disagreement. Neutrality, Hypothetical clauses, Putative 'should', Degree of likelihood.

Unit 5:

LH 6

Interjections, Intensifying Adverbs, Negative Sentences, Exclamatory and Rhetorical Sentences. Emotions – Hope, Anticipation, Regret, Approval, Disapproval, Surprise, Concern and Volition. Permission and Obligation, Prohibition. Influencing People and Friendly Communication.

Unit 6:

LH 8

Linking signals, Participle and Verbless clauses, Substitution and Omission. Main and Subsidiary Information, Fronted Topic, Inversion, Cleft Sentences, Postponement.

Unit 7:**LH 20**

For essays and comprehension passages, the following passages have been prescribed for practice.

Essays and comprehension passages will be IT related.

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| § Computers threatens marriage brokers. | - LH 2 |
| § Computer virus hits Delhi varsity and Much Ado about nothing. | - LH 2 |
| § Computers of the future. | - LH 2 |
| § Employing computers. | - LH 2 |
| § Science fiction. | - LH 2 |
| § Computerization in India. | - LH 2 |
| § Bio-gas plant. | - LH 2 |
| § Mountaineering | - LH 1 |
| § Chernobyl | - LH 1 |
| § Who can you trust. | - LH 1 |
| § Trekking | - LH 1 |
| § Economic Impacts of Information Revolution. | - LH 2 |

Reference

J.G. Leech, ***Communicative Grammar of English.***