EL 1100 SPOKEN ENGLISH

Semester: I Credits: 4
Category: AR Hours per week: 6

For the Dept of Tamil Literature

Objectives:

- To enable the students to speak English fluently and correctly
- To empower the students to speak English fearlessly and freely
- To zero on activities focusing on learning English effortlessly
- To instill in the students the need for learning spoken English for upward social mobility

Contents

Unit I Integrated Learning

- 1. Reading (Stories) and Speaking
- 2. (Active) Listening and Speaking (Recorded Model speeches)
- 3. Writing (a Draft) and Speaking

Unit II Context-based Learning

- 1. Learning from Real life situations
- 2. Simulating a situation in the class
- 3. Students writing their own dialogue
- 4. Students enacting a situation in pairs

Unit III Activity based Learning

- 1. 'Tight corner' activity
- 2. Demonstration and Explaining
- 3. I minute Speech
- 4. Learning from Announcements

Unit IV Different modes of speaking

- 1. Individual presentation
- 2. Extempore
- 3. Speaking in pairs
- 4. Group discussion/Fish Bowl exercise

Unit V Miscellaneous Learning Graph

- 1. Brainstorming/ mind mapping for drafting a speech
- 2. Vocabulary games
- 3. Riddles/ puzzles, brain teasers/Ticklers
- 4. Language games
- 5. Idioms, Puzzles, Quotes and Sayings

Evaluation

Two Internal tests (Oral) 40+ 40 80

Classroom activities 20

End Semester Exam (Oral) 100

EL 2101 WRITING FOR MEDIA

Semester: II Credits: 4
Category: AR Hours per week: 6

For the Dept of Visual Communication

OBJECTIVES:

- To familiarize the students with different genres of writing associated with media and enable them to write news stories, scripts, features, reviews, punch lines and tag lines.
- To expose them to both theory and practice in different forms of writing and to educate them on grammar and rules of punctuation and proof reading.
- To kindle their creativity by encouraging them to write and provide hands-on training in writing.

UNIT I Script Writing

- I. Different kinds of script writing
- II. Theories of script writing: The three-act structure, Syd Field's Paradigm and the sequence approach.
- III. Converting a short story into a script, television writing, radio writing and anchoring.

UNIT II Writing features and reviews

- I. Definition
- II. Characteristics
- III. Classification of features
- IV. Lead for features
- V. Feature leads vs hard news lead
- VI. Review writing
- VII. Systematic and non systematic approach.
- VIII. Writing features, book reviews and movie reviews

UNIT III Writing News stories

- I. Headlines
- II. Rules guiding headlines
- III. News stories
- IV. Inverted pyramid style
- V. Lead
- VI. Snippets
- VII. Editorials
- VIII. Advertorials
 - IX. Writing news stories
 - X. Converting news stories into snippet
- XI. Blowing a snippet into a full length news story

UNIT IV Ad Writing

- I. Importance of advertising
- II. Demography
- III. Different kinds of ads
- IV. USP- punch line- body copy- Tag line- by line.
- V. Writing punch lines, body copy and tag line- designing pamphlets and brochures- designing news paper and magazine ads.

UNIT V Text Mechanics

- I. Grammar Basics
- II. Different kinds of errors
- III. Punctuation.
- IV. Identifying errors and proof reading.
- V. Editing

Books for Reference

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- 6. Swan, Walter. How English works: A grammar practice book, OUP, USA, 1997.
- 7. Trottier, David. The script writer's Bible: A complete guide to Writing, Formatting and selling your script. Silman James, 2010.
- 8. Bly. W, Robert. The copy Writer's Handbook, 3rd edition. Henry Holt and company, 2007.
- 9. G.Stoval, James. Writing for the Mass Media. 8th edition. Pearson, 2011.
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EL 2100 INDIAN NATIONALIST LITERATURE

Semester: II Credits: 4

Category: AR Hours per week: 6

For the Dept of History

(Passed in the Academic Council held on 16 November 2012. But for administrative reasons the paper is not offered from 13 HT Batch onwards. Instead Writing for Media is offered for the students of Visual communication)

OBJECTIVES:

- *To* familiarise the students with great writers both Indian and foreign, who have contributed to Indian nationalist poetry.
- To introduce a part or whole of some great works, which have a significant historical importance.
- To sensitise the students about the indigenous literature, culture and history of the country.

UNIT I

ANCIENT INDIA

Poem: Salutation to Bharat by Mahakavi Subramanya Bharathiar.
 Prose: Antecedents An essay from 'A History of India' by Romila pg 15-27.
 Short Story: The Vow of Celibacy 'An extract from Kamala Subramaniam's 'Mahabharatha'. Pg 3-10.

UNIT II

PRE-COLONIAL INDIA

Poems: Bande Matharam Where The Mind is without Fear
 Prose: The Sound of the Lord of the Fury The fall Of A Dynasty' By William Dalrymple. Pg 143-146.
 Short Story: Governor's Visit by Kalki tranlated by Gowri Ramanarayanan.

UNIT III

THE PARTITION

Poem: My Country My People
 Prose: The Most Complex Divorce in History

 Another Community
 by Sheshendra Sharma
 An excerpt from Freedom at Midnight' By Dominique La pierre and Larry Collins.
 by R.K. Narayanan.

UNIT IV

POST-COLONIAL INDIA

Poem: The New Dawn
 BiograpHY: Drastic, Emergent Action
 By Dilip Kumar Roy
 An excerpt from The Life of Indira
 Nehru Gandhi By Katherine Frank
 pg 271- 279.

UNIT V

NON- Detailed

1. Fiction: *Train to Pakisthan* by Kushwant Singh

2. Play: Tughlaq

by Girish Karnad Themes, characters, plot and the historical Relevance of the play.

Methodology

- 1. Class room lectures, group discussions and panel sessions.
- 2. Screening of historical movies on partition and some great heroes of freedom struggle.

References:

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- Dalrymple, William. The Last Mughal: The Fall of a Dynasty: Penguin Publications, 2006.
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- Karnad, Girish. Tughlag: OUP,2012.
- Prabhu, R.K. ed. *Indian National Songs*: Popular Prakashan publications, 1966.
- Ramanarayanan, Gowri. Selected Stories of Kalki: Penguin Publications, 2000.
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- Subramaninam, Kamala. Mahabharatha: Bharatiya Vidhya Bhavan, 1988.
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