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# **Bridge Course**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**



## BASICS OF ENGLISH LITERATURE AND COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH

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#### Department of English

#### Bridge Course Syllabus, 2022

#### Duration: 10 hours

**Aim:** To develop students' sense of understanding, appreciation and ability of expression.

**Objective:** Students should be able to understand the resources taught, are expected to respond in English. They are also given an idea of what to expect in the undergraduate course they have enrolled.

#### **Topic - wise distribution of hours**

SI No	Торіс	Hour/s allocated
1	Grammar and Vocabulary Building	2
2	Reading and Writing Skills	2
3	Listening and Speaking Skills	2
4	Reading Poetry, Drama, Prose and Fiction	2
5	Brief idea about History of Literature	2
	Total SINCE 1964	10 hours

#Please note#: Sufficient emphasis should be given to speaking in each topic given above.

Detailed syllabus:

1. Grammar and Vocabulary Building

Basic idea on parts of speech and sentence-Fundamentals of verbs-Tense, Tense forms and applications-Subject - Verb - Agreement (Concod) - Synonyms, antonyms, Homonyms- One-word substitutes





#### 2. Reading and Writing Skills

Importance of Reading-Types of Reading a) Loud Reading b) Silent Reading -Reading for meaning - Describing person, situation, pictures (given)- Summary Writing/Film Review/Book Review/Bio Data/ About oneself etc.

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#### **3.Listening and Speaking Skills**

Listening to passages, speeches, dialogues, poems with proper rhythm and intonation.

4. Reading Poetry/Drama/ Prose/ Fiction

A brief introduction to the basics of literature- with basic knowledge about what is poetry, prose, fiction and drama.

5. Brief history of literature

An overall view of the history of English literature with just the basics about the writers and important events.







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## **Allocation of Hours**

SI No	Торіс	Faculty
1	Grammar and Vocabulary Building	Rashmi S Pillai
2	Reading and Writing Skills	Dr Sooraj Kumar
3	Listening Skill	Mr Arun M George
4	Reading Poetry, Drama, Prose and Fiction	Ms Lalitha Joseph
5	Speaking Skills	Dr Dhanya Johnson
6	Brief idea about History of Literature	Ms Padma Chandran

Faculty Advisor: Ms Padma Chandran





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## List of students

SI No	Name of the student	Marks secured (out of 20)
1	MYMOONA AS	16
2	MUHAMMED ASIF	11.5
3	MEEVAL G SYMON	20
4	KEERTHANA A	4
5	HEPHZIBAH SURESH YESUDAS	8
6	ABHIRAMI S	13
7	SMITHA MARIAM SHAJI	15
8	ATHULS	8
9	AROMAL SM	8
10	ANJITHA GS	18
11	ATHIRA PRASAD	18
12	VANDANA JAYAN	16
13	AHAMMED AJAS M	16
14	ASHIQ ST	10
15	RUKSANA BEEGUM	16
16	ANJU A	15
17	ALFIYA S	12
18	ASWATHY PS	19.5
19	ASWATHY RS	12
20	AVANI P BIJU	15
21	NANDANA S	18

Total no of students (as on October 7, 2022): 21



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#### Bridge Course Questionnaire

Section I

Fill in the blanks as per the instructions given in the brackets.

- 1. Michael is running away \_\_\_\_\_\_. (fast/fastly)
- 2. I go to college \_\_\_\_\_ foot. (on/by)
- 3. The dog is barking. Give \_\_\_\_\_\_ some food to eat. (Use an appropriate pronoun)
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_\_ sun rises in the east. (Use an appropriate article)
- 5. The match was cancelled. It was raining heavily. (Appropriate conjunction to combine the sentence)
- 6. It was a \_\_\_\_\_ day. (Use an adjective)
- 7. \_\_\_\_\_\_ is a very good football player. (Use a proper noun)
- 8. It is a beautiful day, \_\_\_\_\_\_ it? (Use a question tag)
- 9. What is a verb? Give examples.
- 10.She \_\_\_\_\_\_ a book. (has/have)

(10x1= 10 marks)

#### Section II

11.Complete the following story.

It had been raining heavily. I was alone at home. My parents had gone out for the day. I was enjoying my day alone, spending time on the phone, TV and on Swiggy. I had just taken a bite from the last piece of pizza, when I heard a loud crash outside and there was complete darkness.

(10x1= 10 marks)

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#### REPORT ON THE BRIDGE COURSE

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#### **Department of English**

The department of English introduced a bridge course on Basics of English Literature and Communicative English for the first-year students in the academic year 2022-2023. The course was designed with the purpose of introducing the newly admitted students to the major aspects of Language and Literature. Thus, this bridge course intended to achieve the following:

1. Introduce the students to the many forms and genres of literature.

2.Provide introductory training in the various skills required for communication.

The course was spread over a period of two weeks with 10 lectures of one hour each, where different faculty members interacted with the students. The following outcomes were achieved at the end of the course.

1. A good majority showed a good understanding of the requirements of the course.

2. Could identify forms and genres of literary texts without assistance from the teachers.

3. Many seemed to have a knowledge of grammatical rules but were below average at the application level.



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