



**Department of English
Telangana University**

Subject: English (First Language)
under the Reorganized CBCS with effect from AY 2023-24)

SYLLABUS FOR UG 1st & 2nd Semesters

PRESCRIBED TEXTBOOK FOR SEMESTERS I AND II:
Prowess in English. Editors K. V. Ramanachary and P. Samata.
Published by Orient Blackswan, 2023.

SEMESTER I

UNIT 1 POETRY: 'If-' by Rudyard Kipling

- PRONUNCIATION: Consonant Sounds
- GRAMMAR: Nouns
- VOCABULARY: Word Roots
- SPELLING: Identifying Correct Spellings
- SPEAKING: Introducing Oneself
- READING: Bathukamma
- WRITING: Guided Writing
- SKILLS AND VALUES: Know Thyself

UNIT 2 ESSAY: 'A Fellow Traveller' by Alfred George Gardiner

- PRONUNCIATION: Monophthongs
- GRAMMAR: Pronouns
- VOCABULARY: Prefixes and Suffixes
- SPELLING: Forming Antonyms with 'dis-' and 'un-'
- SPEAKING: Starting and Controlling a Conversation
- READING: Basara Temple
- WRITING: Sequencing
- SKILLS AND VALUES: Hard Work Never Goes in Vain

UNIT 3 FICTION: 'Girl' by O. Henry

- PRONUNCIATION: Diphthongs
- GRAMMAR: Main Verbs and Tenses

- VOCABULARY: Homophones, Homonyms, Homographs
- SPELLING: Spelling Words with ‘-tion’ and ‘-sion’
- SPEAKING: Taking about Your College
- READING: Fort Ramalayam
- WRITING: Paragraph Writing
- SKILLS AND VALUES: Developing a Positive Attitude

UNIT 4 DRAMA: *The Proposal* by Anton Chekov

- PRONUNCIATION: Varied Pronunciations of English Letters
- GRAMMAR: Helping Verbs • VOCABULARY: Collocation
- SPELLING: Spelling Words with ‘-tion’ and ‘-ment’
- SPEAKING: Leaving a Voice Message
- READING: Nizam Sugar Factory
- WRITING: Dialogue Writing
- SKILLS AND VALUES: First Deserve, Then Desire

SEMESTER II

UNIT 5 POETRY: ‘Invictus’ by William Ernest Henley

- PRONUNCIATION: Plosives
- GRAMMAR: Non-finite Verbs
- VOCABULARY: Simile and Metaphor
- SPELLING: Spelling Words with ‘ei’ and ‘ie’
- SPEAKING: Asking for Advice and Information
- READING: Pochampadu Project
- WRITING: Note-taking and Note-making
- SKILLS AND VALUES: Improving Perception

UNIT 6 ESSAY: ‘Tolerance is a Moral Virtue’ by Rivka Witenberg

- PRONUNCIATION: Fricatives
- GRAMMAR: Adjectives
- VOCABULARY: Oxymoron and Hyperbole
- SPELLING: Spelling Words with ‘-able’ and ‘-ible’
- SPEAKING: Making a Request, and Accepting or Refusing a Request
- READING: Ankapur Village

- WRITING: Informal Letters
- SKILLS AND VALUES: A Stitch in Time Saves Nine

UNIT 7 **FICTION:** ‘The Gift of the Magi’ by O. Henry

- PRONUNCIATION: Affricates and Nasals
- GRAMMAR: Articles
- VOCABULARY: Portmanteau Words and Loan Words
- SPELLING: Spelling Words with ‘-ic’, ‘-ive’, ‘-ity’, ‘-al’, ‘-ance’, ‘-ence’
- SPEAKING: Meeting Skills
- READING: Hyderabadi Cuisine
- WRITING: Formal Letters
- SKILLS AND VALUES: Body Language

UNIT 8 **DRAMA:** *The Merchant of Venice*, Act IV, Scene I by William Shakespeare

- PRONUNCIATION: Approximants
- GRAMMAR: Adverbs
- VOCABULARY: Palindromes
- SPELLING: Varied Forms of Words
- SPEAKING: Interview Skills
- READING: Telangana Crops
- WRITING: Business Letters
- SKILLS AND VALUES: Failures Are the Stepping Stones to Success



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SYLLABUS FOR UG 3rd & 4th Semesters

Prescribed Text Book for Semesters III and IV
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SEMESTER III

UNIT 1 POETRY: “Where the Mind is without Fear”: by Rabindranath Tagore

- PRONUNCIATION: Plural endings and past tense endings
- GRAMMAR: Preposition
- VOCABULARY: Anagrams
- SPELLING: Difficult Words
- PUNCTUATION: Capitalization
- CONVERSATION: An argument between two/three people about the right way to approach life
- READING PASSAGE: Architectural wonders of Telangana
- WRITING: narrative writing/narrative essay
- SOFT SKILLS: Negotiation
- VALUE EDUCATION: Hope for the best, but prepare for the worst

UNIT 2 PROSE: “Shyness My Shield” by M. K. Gandhi

- PRONUNCIATION: Syllable
- GRAMMAR: Conjunction
- VOCABULARY: Phrasal verbs
- SPELLING: Irregular verbs
- PUNCTUATION: Comma
- CONVERSATION: Friends sharing the experience of being caught in embarrassing situations
- READING PASSAGE: Deccan plateau and Telangana Geography

- WRITING: Debate writing/ argumentative essay
- SOFT SKILLS: Decision making
- VALUE EDUCATION: Better late than never

UNIT 3 SHORT FICTION: “My Financial Career” by Stephen Leacock

- PRONUNCIATION: consonant cluster
- GRAMMAR: active and passive voice
- VOCABULARY: Idioms
- SPELLING: irregular verbs past tense
- PUNCTUATION: Full stop
- CONVERSATION: Learning to open an account in a bank and net banking
- READING PASSAGE: Culinary delights of Telangana
- WRITING: Rhyming couplets
- SOFT SKILLS: Problem solving
- VALUE EDUCATION: Early bird catches the worm

SEMESTER IV

UNIT 4 POETRY: “Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening” by Robert Frost

- PRONUNCIATION: word stress—prefix
- GRAMMAR: direct and indirect speech
- VOCABULARY: Eponyms
- SPELLING: words commonly used in cinema, TV, media
- PUNCTUATION: 15 lines of drama/dialogue for punctuation
- CONVERSATION: 5 friends discussing their unique hobbies
- READING PASSAGE: Uniqueness of Telangana language(s)
- WRITING: Personal Diary/journal writing
- SOFT SKILLS: Team work
- VALUE EDUCATION: God helps those who help themselves

UNIT 5 PROSE: “Isaac Newton” by Nathaniel Hawthorne

- PRONUNCIATION: word stress—suffix
- GRAMMAR: change of degrees of comparison
- VOCABULARY: words often confused

- SPELLING: silent letter words
- PUNCTUATION: Short fiction passage with mistakes in punctuation for correction/editing
- CONVERSATION: How people behave when unexpected/unwelcome guests arrive
- READING PASSAGE: Life of Common People in Telangana
- WRITING: Expository essay•SOFT SKILLS: Emotional intelligence
- VALUE EDUCATION: Actions speak louder than words

UNIT 6 SHORT FICTION: “The Postmaster by Rabindranath Tagore”

- PRONUNCIATION: Contractions
- GRAMMAR: 7 types/ structures of sentences
- VOCABULARY: alliteration, duplication, rhyming words
- SPELLING: doubling of consonants
- PUNCTUATION: Short prose passage with mistakes in punctuation for correction/editing
- CONVERSATION: A group of students share the experience of visiting different places during their vacation
- READING PASSAGE: Telangana’s Global Presence
- WRITING: Article for a magazine/newspaper
- SOFT SKILLS: Critical thinking
- VALUE EDUCATION: There is no time like the present