# UNIT PLAN Class: BA II (Semester IV) Paper: General English

Text: English for Empowerment

Total Marks: 50 Assessment: 05 Written: 45

#### January – February

## **Objectives**

To make the students familiar with the following:

- Definition and features of language in general.
- Role of language in human development.
- Meaning of mother tongue/local language, national language, global language, dialect, pidgin, creole, etc.
- History and scope of English language.
- English language in India.
- Brief overview of literature in general.
- Brief introduction to poetry and prose.
- Grammar and composition: transformation of words and paragraph writing.

#### Learning outcomes

Students will be able to:

- Define the meaning and scope of language.
- Explain the meaning of mother tongue/local language, national language, global language, dialect, pidgin, creole, etc.
- Elucidate the history and scope of English language in India and the world.
- Define what is the meaning of literature, poetry and prose.
- Write paragraphs and transform words.

#### **Detail of Unit Plan:**

| Topics          | Teaching points  | Specific objectives | Methods,<br>Approaches and<br>techniques | Resources &<br>Links |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| a) Language and | Language and     | a) To make the      | Classroom                                |                      |
| literature      | literature:      | students familiar   | teaching, reading                        | English for          |
| b) Poetry       | Definition,      | with language       | and writing.                             | Empowerment.         |
| c) Prose        | features, scope, | and literature.     |  | Orient Black         |
| d) Grammar      | types of         | b) To make the      |  | Swan, 2013.          |
|                 | language.        | students            |  | Hudson, WH. An       |

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| Introduction to   | understand the  | Outline History |
| English language  | selected poems  | of English      |
| and literature in | and prose.      | Literature. G.  |
| general.          | c) To make the  | Bell & Sons,    |
| Poetry:           | students        | 1913.           |
| Goodbye Party     | understand the  | Wren & Martin,  |
| for Miss Pushpa   | selected        | High School     |
| T.S., I Will      | grammar topics. | English         |
| Embrace Only      |                 | Grammar &       |
| the Sun, Refugee  |                 | Composition.    |
| Mother and        |                 | S.Chand, 2004.  |
| Child             |                 |                 |
| Prose: On         |                 |                 |
| Shaking Hands,    |                 |                 |
| Grammar:          |                 |                 |
| Paragraph         |                 |                 |
| writing,          |                 |                 |
| transformation of |                 |                 |
| words             |                 |                 |

#### **Question Bank:**

- 1. How does the poet use English language to create humour in the poem *Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa T.S.?*
- 2. The sun is an embodiment of reality and new life. How would substantiate this? (I Will Embrace only the Sun)
- 3. What is a song that defied total comprehension? (I Will Embrace only the Sun)
- 4. Why is the air described as 'heavy with odor'? (Refugee Mother and Child)
- 5. Explain 'washed out ribs' and 'dried up bottoms'. (Refugee Mother and Child)
- 6. The poem Refugee Mother and Child is about motherhood and pain. Explain.
- 7. Discuss the main focus of Gardiner's essay *On Shaking Hands*.

#### March

#### **Objectives**

To make the students familiar with the following:

• Brief introduction to literary criticism and theory.

- Critical appreciation of poetry and prose.
- Literature in India.
- Brief introduction to Indian English literature.
- Grammar and Composition: text-based idioms and phrases.
- Practice of spoken English.

#### **Learning outcomes**

Students will be able to:

- Explain briefly the meaning of literary criticism and theory.
- Understand critical appreciation of poetry and prose.
- Explicate the scope of literature in India.
- Elucidate briefly Indian English literature.
- Use text-based idioms and phrases.
- Introduce themselves.

#### **Detail of Unit Plan:**

| Topics   | Teaching points  | Specific objectives  | Methods,<br>Approaches and<br>techniques                                | Resources &<br>Links  |
|--|--|--|---|---|
| a) Literary criticism and theory b) Poetry c) Prose d) Grammar | Literary criticism and theory: brief introduction Poetry: This is a Photograph of Me Prose: No Man is an Island, Freedom of the Press Grammar: text- based idioms and phrases. | a) To briefly explain the meaning of literary criticism and theory. b) To make the students able to critically appreciate poetry and prose. c) To make the students able to use text-based idioms and phrases. | Classroom<br>teaching,<br>reading, writing,<br>practice, class<br>tests | English for Empowerment. Orient Black Swan, 2013. Hudson, WH. An Outline History of English Literature. G. Bell & Sons, 1913. Wren & Martin, High School English Grammar & Composition. S.Chand, 2004 |

#### **Question Bank:**

1. Trace the development of thought in the poem *This is a Photograph of Me*.

- 2. Compare and Contrast the idea of dictatorship with the idea of democracy. (No Man is an Island)
- 3. What is the central idea of the prose No Man is an Island?
- 4. Summarize the importance of freedom of press as discussed in essay *Freedom of the Press*.
- 5. Describe the theme of essay Freedom of the Press.
- 6. Idioms and phrases based questions.

## **April - May**

# **Objectives**

To make the students familiar with the following:

- Meaning and scope of communication.
- Practice of English speaking and listening skills.
- General introduction to translation.
- Proverbs, Idioms, Phrases, One word substitution.
- Grammar: Revising prescribed topics.
- Class Tests

#### Learning outcomes

Students will be able to:

- Define the meaning and scope of communication.
- Talk about selected topics and understand listening to simple English.
- Learn how to translate simple and compound sentences.
- Learn to use proverbs, idioms, phrases, one word substitutions.

#### **Detail of Unit Plan:**

| Topics        | Teaching points         | Specific objectives | Methods,<br>Approaches and<br>techniques | Resources &<br>Links |
|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| a)            | Communication:          | a) To briefly       | Classroom                                | English for          |
| Communication | Meaning and             | explain the         | teaching,                                | Empowerment.         |
| b) Poetry     | scope.                  | meaning and         | reading, writing,                        | Orient Black         |
| c) Prose      | <b>Poetry:</b> Revision | scope of            | practice, class                          | Swan, 2013.          |
| d) Grammar    | of prescribed           | communication       | tests                                    | Hudson, WH. An       |

| e) Translaiton | poems                   | b) To make the    | Outline History |
|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
|                | <b>Prose:</b> An Except | students practise | of English      |
|                | From                    | critically        | Literature. G.  |
|                | Decolonizing the        | appreciate poetry | Bell & Sons,    |
|                | Mind.                   | and prose.        | 1913.           |
|                | Grammar:                | c) To make the    | Wren & Martin,  |
|                | Practice of             | students practise | High School     |
|                | prescribed topics       | the prescribed    | English         |
|                | Translation:            | topics of         | Grammar &       |
|                | simple and              | grammar.          | Composition.    |
|                | compound                | d) To make the    | S.Chand, 2004   |
|                | sentences.              | students practise |                 |
|                |                         | translation       |                 |

# **Question Bank:**

- 1. How does the title Decolonising the Mind get a voice through the life of Ngugi wa Thiong'o? (Decolonising the Mind)
- 2. What was the place of English under colonial system? (Decolonising the Mind)
- 3. Grammar and translation based questions.