# Syllabus: B.A. Part-I

# **OPTIONAL SUBJECTS**

# 1. ENGLISH LITERATURE

# The Syllabus aims at achieving the following objectives:

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- 1. Interpretation and appreciation of selected texts from the genres of poetry, drama, prose and fiction.
- 2. Strengthening skills of note making, summarizing and dialogue writing.
- 3. Understanding texts with specific reference to genres, forms and literary terms.

# Paper I: Poetry and Drama

Maximum Marks: 100

Duration: 3 hrs Min. Pass Marks: 36

Question No. 1: References to Context from unit A, B &C.

Candidate will be required to explain four (4) passages of Reference to Context out of Eight (8) of five marks each, with a total of 20 Marks.

Knowledge of Literary Terms and Poetry Appreciation and usages of drama is required.

Question No. 2 will also be compulsory. The student will be required to attempt 5 questions out of 10, to be answered in about 5 lines each. Each question will carry 4 marks to a total of 20 marks.

The other 3 questions will be Essay-type questions of 20 marks each, one from each section with internal choice.

## **SECTION A**

W. Shakespeare:

Shall I Compare Thee

Not Marble, nor the Gilded Monuments

Remembrance

J. Donne: Death be not Proud.

Herbert: Pulley

Andrew Marvell: To His Coy Mistress

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#### J. Milton:

On His Blindness

On His Twenty Third Birthday

J. Dryden: A Song for St. Cecilia's Day

## **Reference Books:**

Strings of Gold Part I Ed. Jasbir Jain (Macmillan)

The Golden Treasury by Francis Turner Palgrave (OUP)

Poet's Pen: An Anthology of English Verse Paperback - by Dustoor P.E. (Author), Homai

P.Dustoor (Author) (Oxford University Press)

The New Oxford Book of English Verse, 1250-1950 (Oxford Books of Verse) by Helen Gardner (Editor)

# **SECTION B**

The following poems from Strings of Gold Part I Ed. Jasbir Jain (Macmillan)

#### Kabir

It is Needless to Ask a Saint the Caste to which he belongs.

Rabindra Nath Tagore

Where The Mind is Without Fear

#### Toru Dutt

The Lotus

Our Casuarina Tree

Sarojini Naidu

**Indian Weavers** 

Song of Radha, The Milkmaid

## Reference Books :-

Strings of Gold Part I Ed. Jasbir Jain (Macmillan)

Indian Writing in English by K.R.Srinivasa Iyengar .Sterling Publishers Pvt.Ltd

A History of Indian English Literature by M.K. Naik Sahitya Akademi

The Golden Treasury of Indo-Anglian Poetry, 1828-1965 by Vinayak Krishna Gokak (Editor) Sahitya Akademi

Kabir (Penguin Classics) by Vinay Dharwadker

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#### SECTION C

W. Shakespeare: As You Like It

## Reference Books:-

As You Like It (The Pelican Shakespeare) by William Shakespeare (Author), Frances E. Dolan (Editor, Introduction), Stephen Orgel

History of English Literature by Hudson

Pelican Guide to English Literature by Boris Ford ed:

# Paper II: Prose and Fiction

Maximum Marks: 100

Duration: 3 hrs Min. Pass Marks: 36

Question No. 1: References to Context from unit A & B only.

Candidate will be required to explain four (4) passages of Reference to Context out of Eight (8) of five marks each, with a total of 20 Marks.

Question No. 2: will also be compulsory. The student will be required to attempt 5 questions out of 10, to be answered in about 5 lines each. Each question will carry 4 marks to a total of 20 marks.

The other 3 questions will be Essay – type questions of 20 marks each, one from each section with internal choice.

## **SECTION A**

Bacon : Of Studies

B. Russell : Knowledge and Wisdom

Leigh Hunt : On Getting Up on Cold Mornings

M.K. Gandhi : Fearlessness

Lucas : Third Thought

S. Radhakrishnan : Democracy

H. Belloc : On Educational Reform

## Reference Books :-

English Prose Selections (O.U.P.) ed. Dr. S.S. Deo et al.

The Art of the Essayist By Lockitt, C. H. (ed.)

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## **SECTION B**

K. Mansfield : A Cup of Tea

R. Tagore : Living or Dead

H.H. Munro (Saki) : The Open Window

R.K. Narayan : An Astrologer's Day

E. Hemingway : Old Man at the Bridge

George Orwell : Animal Farm

# Reference Books:

Popular Short Stories ed. By Board of Editors (O.U.P.)

Malgudi Days by R. K. Narayan Indian Thought Publications

# **SECTION C**

1. Prose Appreciation

- 2. Formal Communication
- 3. Report Writing
- 4. Presentations Skills

# Reference Books :-

Mohan, Krishna., Raman, Meenakshi. Effective English Communication. Tata McGraw Hill, New Delhi, 2009.

Vandana R. Singh: The Written Word (O.U.P.)

The Handbook of Creative Writing. Ed. Steven Earnshaw, Edinburgh University Press, London, 2007.

Pal, Rajendra & Korlahalli, J.S. Essentials of Business Communication. New Delhi: Sultan Chand & Sons: New Delhi, 2005.

English at the Workplace eds. Sawhney Panja and Varma (Macmillan)

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