



Department of English
Osmania University

BA (Voc)
CBCS-Communicative English Syllabus
(With effect from 2016-17)

Semester – I

PHONETICS

Credits: 5

Hours of Teaching: 5 per week

Objective: *To enable students to acquire skills in Phonetics*

UNIT – I

Introduction to Phonetics
Organs of Speech

Unit - II

Classification of Speech sounds
Vowels, Diphthongs, Consonants
Phonemic Symbols and pronunciation

UNIT – III

Manner of Articulation
Place of Articulation
Variety of English pronunciation
Phonology- Introduction

UNIT – IV

The Syllable
Word Accent

UNIT – V

- Phonemic Transcriptions
- Marking Primary Accent
- Reading the given passage in English
- Viva

BOOKS RECOMMENDED

1. *An introduction to the pronunciation of English* by A.C. Simson
2. *A text book of English Phonetics for Indian Students* by T. Balasubrahmanian
3. *Gimson's Pronunciation Dictionary*
4. *English Phonetics for Indian Students* (A workbook)
5. *Teaching of Spoken English and Communication Skills* by Rev. Dr. Francis
6. *English Pronouncing dictionaries*, Daniel Jones, A.C. Gimson



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LANGUAGE SKILLS

Credits: 5

Hours of Teaching: 5 per week

Objectives:

- *To build vocabulary*
- *To strengthen the grammatical and syntactical skills*
- *To enhance speaking, reading and writing skills*

UNIT – I

Vocabulary:

Synonyms, Antonyms, Homonyms, Homophones, Homographs, One -word substitutes, Idioms and Phrases, Phrasal verbs, Words of foreign origin

UNIT – II

Grammar:

- a) Tenses and their use (in detail)
- b) Transformation of Sentences: Voice, Degrees of Comparison, Direct and Indirect Speech, Simple, Compound and Complex sentences, Affirmative and Negative sentences

UNIT III

Writing Skills:

Sentences, Paragraphs, Expansion, Summarizing

UNIT IV

Speaking Skills:

Pronunciation, Intonation, Rate of Speech, Conversation Techniques

UNIT V

Reading Techniques:

Skimming, Scanning, Intensive Reading, and Extensive Reading

Books Recommended:

- *Remedial English Grammar for Foreign Students* by FT Wood
- *Practical English Grammar* by Thomson and Martinet
- *A Textbook of English Phonetics for Indian Students* by T Balasubramanian