



Department of English
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General English for Semesters III and IV (UG II-year)

BA/BSc/B.Com and other UG courses with effect from Academic Year 2023–24

Prescribed textbook for Semesters III and IV: *Inspiring English*, edited by J. Savithri & K.M. Praveena, published by Orient BlackSwan, 2023

SEMESTER III

Unit 1

POETRY: O Captain! My Captain! – Walt Whitman
PROSE: Mallika Srinivasan
PRONUNCIATION: Monophthongs
VOCABULARY: Onomatopoeic Words
GRAMMAR: Punctuation
ADDITIONAL READING: Jadav Payeng
SPEAKING: Role Play
WRITING: Note-taking, Note-making

Unit 2

POETRY: The Solitary Reaper – William Wordsworth
PROSE: How to Live to Be 200 – Stephen Leacock
PRONUNCIATION: Diphthongs
VOCABULARY: Word Origins
GRAMMAR: Subject-Verb Agreement
ADDITIONAL READING: Organic farming gets a bad rap: why it shouldn't – Raymond Auerbach
SPEAKING: Monologues
WRITING: Paragraph Expansion

Unit 3

POETRY: La Belle Dame Sans Merci – John Keats
PROSE: Ilyás – Leo Tolstoy
PRONUNCIATION: Consonant Sounds
VOCABULARY: Clichés
GRAMMAR: Prepositional Phrases
ADDITIONAL READING: Five space exploration missions to look out for in 2023 – Gareth Dorrian and Ian Whittaker
SPEAKING: Story Narration
WRITING: Notices, Circulars

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Unit 4

POETRY: Ozymandias – Percy Bysshe Shelley

PROSE: The Lottery Ticket – Anton Chekhov

PRONUNCIATION: Consonant Clusters

VOCABULARY: Idioms

GRAMMAR: Degrees of Comparison

ADDITIONAL READING: Consumers often can't detect fake reviews—and underestimate how many negative reviews are fakes – Shabnam Azimi

SPEAKING: Just a Minute

WRITING: Memo Writing

Unit 5

POETRY: My Last Duchess – Robert Browning

PROSE: The Doll's House – Katherine Mansfield

PRONUNCIATION: Plural Endings

VOCABULARY: Phrasal Verbs

GRAMMAR: Reported Speech

ADDITIONAL READING: Is it OK to kick a robot dog? – Robert Sparrow

SPEAKING: Directions

WRITING: Précis Writing

Unit 6

POETRY: 'Hope' is the Thing with Feathers – Emily Dickinson

PROSE: Packing – Jerome K. Jerome

PRONUNCIATION: Past Tense Endings


VOCABULARY: Technical Vocabulary for Daily Use

GRAMMAR: Voice

ADDITIONAL READING: Why we love holiday rituals and traditions – Dimitris Xygalatas

SPEAKING: Picture Description

WRITING: Information Transfer


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