**SVB Government Degree College**

Koilkuntla, Nandyal District, Andhra Pradesh

Revised English Syllabus from 2020-21 Onwards  
Under Choice Based Credit System  
**Introduction**

The turn of the twenty first century has made the English Language skills a passport to  
the job market to all job seekers. Ability to communicate well in English has become a hallmark  
of good educational foundation and a prerequisite for all graduates. The students are expected to  
possess a measurable knowledge and a set of skills in using English language in personal and  
professional life. The present course English Praxis in three parts offers suitable context to  
teach, learn and practise target language skills. Each part of the course aims at certain specified  
skills which are taught through various text-based classroom activities and the English Language  
Laboratory activities. The syllabus of the course offers an open platform to the teacher to  
facilitate active participatory learning to the students. Hence the whole course is offered in three  
semesters. The first part of the course offers fundamentals of the English language in five units:  
Listening, Speaking, Grammar, Writing and Soft Skills. These introductory units are developed  
into full length courses in the subsequent semesters in addition to Reading Skills so as to prepare  
the learner into a fully equipped individual.

In addition to the classroom interaction, the course also aims at language enhancement  
through various ICT based online and offline activities in the English Language Laboratory.  
Each Unit is reinforced with Laboratory activities. The College administration will bestow  
special attention to make the English Praxis course an activity oriented one. The innovative  
methods and creativity of the English faculty will enhance the learners' participation in teaching  
and learning.

**Semester-I English Praxis Course-I: A Course in Communication and Soft Skills**

**Semester-II English Praxis Course-II: A Course in Reading & Writing Skills**

**Semester-III English Praxis Course -III: A Course in Conversational Skills**

English Syllabus-Semester-I  
English Praxis Course-I  
**A Course in Communication and Soft Skills**

**Learning Outcomes**

*By the end of the course the learner will be able to:*

• Use grammar effectively in writing and speaking.  
• Demonstrate the use of good vocabulary  
• Demonstrate an understating of writing skills  
• Acquire ability to use Soft Skills in professional and daily life.  
• Confidently use the tools of communication skills

**I. UNIT: Listening Skills**

i. Importance of Listening  
ii. Types of Listening  
iii. Barriers to Listening  
iv. Effective Listening

**II. UNIT: Speaking Skills**a. Sounds of English: Vowels and Consonants  
b. Word Accent  
c. Intonation

**III. UNIT: Grammar**  
a) Concord  
b) Modals  
c) Tenses (Present/Past/Future)  
d) Articles  
e) Prepositions  
f) Question Tags  
g) Sentence Transformation (Voice, Reported Speech & Degrees of Comparison)  
h) Error Correction

**IV. UNIT: Writing**i. Punctuation  
ii. Spelling  
iii. Paragraph Writing  
**V. UNIT: Soft Skills**  
a. SWOC  
b. Attitude  
c. Emotional Intelligence  
d. Telephone Etiquette  
e. Interpersonal Skills

English Syllabus-Semester-II  
English Praxis Course-II  
**A Course in Reading & Writing Skills**

**Learning Outcomes**  
*By the end of the course the learner will be able to:*

• Use reading skills effectively  
• Comprehend different texts  
• Interpret different types of texts  
• Analyze what is being read  
• Build up a repository of active vocabulary  
• Use good writing strategies  
• Write well for any purpose  
• Improve writing skills independently for future needs

**I. UNIT**Prose: 1. How to Avoid Foolish Opinions Bertrand Russell  
Skills: 2. Vocabulary: Conversion of Words

3. One Word Substitutes  
4. Collocations

**II. UNIT**  
Prose : 1. The Doll's House Katherine Mansfield  
Poetry : 2. Ode to the West Wind P B Shelley  
Non-Detailed Text : 3. Florence Nightingale Abrar Mohsin  
Skills : 4. Skimming and Scanning  
**III. UNIT**  
Prose: 1. The Night Train at Deoli Ruskin Bond  
Poetry: 2. Upagupta Rabindranath Tagore  
Skills: 3. Reading Comprehension  
 4. Note Making/Taking  
**IV. UNIT**Poetry: 1. Coromandel Fishers Sarojini Naidu  
Skills : 2. Expansion of Ideas  
 3. Notices, Agendas and Minutes  
**V.UNIT**  
Non-Detailed Text: 1. An Astrologer's Day R K Narayan  
Skills: 2. Curriculum Vitae and Resume  
 3. Letters  
 4. E-Correspondence

English Syllabus-Semester-III  
English Praxis Course-III  
**A Course in Conversational Skills**

Learning Outcomes  
*By the end of the course the learner will be able to:*

• Speak fluently in English  
• Participate confidently in any social interaction  
• Face any professional discourse  
• Demonstrate critical thinking  
• Enhance conversational skills by observing the professional interviews

**I. UNIT**  
Speech: 1. Tryst with Destiny Jawaharlal Nehru  
Skills: 2. Greetings  
 3. Introductions  
**II. UNIT**  
Speech: 1. Yes, We Can Barack Obama  
Interview: 2. A Leader Should Know How to Manage Failure  
 Dr.A.P.J.Abdul Kalam/ India Knowledge at Wharton  
Skills: 3. Requests  
**III. UNIT**  
Interview: 1. Nelson Mandela's Interview With Larry King  
Skills: 2. Asking and Giving Information  
 3. Agreeing and Disagreeing  
**IV. UNIT**Interview: 1. JRD Tata's Interview With T.N.Ninan  
Skills: 2. Dialogue Building  
 3. Giving Instructions/Directions  
**V. UNIT**  
Speech: 1. You've Got to Find What You Love Steve Jobs  
Skills: 2. Debates  
 3. Descriptions  
 4. Role Play