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BASICS IN COMMUNICATION

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Course Objectives:

- To enable learners of Engineering and Technology develop their basic communication skills in English.
- To emphasize specially the development of speaking skills amongst learners of Engineering and Technology.
- To ensure that learners use the electronic media such as internet and supplement the learning and materials used in the classroom to develop the listening skill.
- To inculcate the habit of reading and writing leading to effective and efficient communication.

UNIT-I LISTENING SKILLS 12 Hours

Listening to the sounds, silent letters & stress in English - words & sentences - Listening to conversation & telephonic - greetings, comments on the topic-excuses- general wishes, positive comments, thanks- telephonic conversation- viewing model interviews (face to face, video conferencing)- viewing a model group discussion and reviewing the performance of each participant-Sentence definition - Spelling & punctuation.

UNIT-II SPEAKING SKILLS 12 Hours

Self-introduction -Expressing personal opinion -Dialogue & Conversation -Simple oral interaction - Speaking on a topic - Expressing views for & against. Adverbs -Adjectives - Comparative and Numerical adjectives -Nouns & compound nouns -Prefixes and suffixes. , Imperative forms-sequencing of sentences- Wh- questions

UNIT-III READING SKILLS 12 Hours

Reading anecdotes, short stories, poems- an article from newspaper, critical reading - Reading pie chart & bar chart- Skimming and scanning -Reading-comprehension exercises - Words and their function -Different grammatical forms of the same word- Speed reading- reading passages with time limit- reading the job advertisement and the profile of the company concerned – note making skills-making notes from books or any form of written material.

UNIT-IV WRITING SKILLS 12 Hours

Writing emails, notes, messages, memos, notices, agendas, advertisements, leaflets, brochures - Instructions, recommendations & checklists - Writing paragraphs - Comparisons & contrasts - Process description of Flow charts - Interpretation of Bar charts & Pie charts. - Correction of errors - Subject-verb Concord - Articles - Prepositions - Tenses - Active and passive voice - Impersonal passive

UNIT-V INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNICATION 12Hours

Need for effective communication - Functions of Communication & Induction to the students - barriers to effective communication - non-verbal communication - body language. - Introduce oneself -Reading Newspaper - Magazine - Journal etc.

Course Outcomes:

- Learners should be able to speak clearly, confidently, comprehensibly, and communication with one or many listeners using appropriate communication strategies.
- Write cohesively and coherently and flawlessly avoiding grammatical errors, using a wide vocabulary range organizing their ideas logically on a topic.
- Read different genres of texts adopting various reading strategies.
- Listen/ view and comprehend different spoken discourses/ excerpts in different accents.

Text Books:

- 1. Muralikrishna C., Sunita Mishra "Communication Skills for Engineers" 2nd edition, Pearson, New Delhi 2010
- 2. Mahalakshmi.N. English workbookm 1 for Engineers. Chennai, VK Publications, 2013.

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- 1. Vyas Manish A., Yogesh L. Patel, "Tasks for the English Classroom", MacMillan, New Delhi, 2012.
- 2. Achar Deeptha, Charul Jian and et al, English for Academic Purposes, Book-1&2 University Granthnirman Board, Gujarat, 2011
- 3. Michael vince, 'Advanced Language Practice', Macmillan Education, oxford,2003
- 4. Eisenbach Iris, "English for Materials Science and Engineering", Springer Fachmedien Wiesbaden GmbH 2011
- 5. Lougheed Lin, "Business Correspondence: A Guide to Everyday Writing', Longman, Pearson Education, Inc, 2003.