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**SEMESTER-I (2023-24)**

**Course Code: 23ENLAL111**  
**Title: English Praxis– I**  
**Credits: 4**

**Time: 3 Hours**  
**Max. Marks: 70**  
**Pass Marks: 28**

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**SYLLABUS**  
**ENGLISH PRAXIS-I**  
**A COURSE IN COMMUNICATION AND SOFT SKILLS**

- I. UNIT: Listening Skills** **10 hours**
1. Importance of Listening
  2. Types of Listening
  3. Barriers to Listening
  4. Effective Listening
  5. Practice Sounds of English: Vowels and Consonants
- II. UNIT: Reading Skills** **10 hours**
1. Importance of Reading Skills
  2. Types of Reading Skills: Skimming and Scanning
  3. The Seven Ages of Man – William Shakespeare
  4. The Lost Child – Mulk Raj Anand
- III. UNIT: Grammar** **10 hours**
1. Tenses
  2. Articles
  3. Prepositions
  4. Concord
  5. Question Tags
- IV. UNIT: Speaking Skills** **15 hours**
1. Greetings & Introductions
  2. Asking and Giving Information
  3. Yes, We Can – Barack Obama
  4. Agreeing/Disagreeing
  5. A leader Should Know How to Manage Failure – Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- V. UNIT: Soft Skills** **15 hours**
1. SWOC
  2. Attitude
  3. Emotional Intelligence
  4. Netiquette
  5. Interpersonal Skills

## **REFERENCES:**

- 1 Soft Skills, Dr. Alex (New Delhi: S. Chand & Company Ltd) 2009.
- 2 Interpersonal Skills Training, Philip Burnard (New Delhi: Viva Books Private Ltd)
- 3 Soft Skills for Everyone, Jeff Butterfield (New Delhi:Cengage Learning India PvtLtd) 2012
- 4 Emotional Intelligence, Daniel Goleman (London: Bloomsbury Publishing) 1996
- 5 A Text Book of English Phonetics for Indian students, Balasubramanian
- 6 A Handbook for English Language Labour, E Suresh Kumar, P. Sreehari
- 7 Communication Skills (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition), Sanjay Kumar & Pushpa Lata, Oxford University Press, 2016

## **Activities:**

Make the students listen to the news excerpts.

Watch interviews and speeches on You Tube.

Role Play on formal and informal conversations.



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**SECTION- A**

**5X10=50**

**I Answer the following questions.**

1. (a) What are the different types of listening? Describe in brief each of them. L2  
(b) What are the main barriers of listening? Expand each in your own words. L2  
(or)  
(c) What are the difference between listening and hearing? L2  
(d) How many consonant sounds are there in English language? What are they? L1
  
2. (a) What is the importance of reading skill? L2  
(b) What are the things that the child sees on his way to the fair? How do his respond to this? L1  
(or)  
(c) Justify the title of the poem Seven Ages of Man. L1  
(d) Write brief note on the story "The Lost Child". L1
  
3. (a) Write a note on the importance of Listening Skills. L1  
(b) Explain the types of reading skills. L1  
(or)  
(c) Write a conversation between two friends about their vacation plan. (Agreeing and disagreeing) L2  
(d) What are Interpersonal Skills? L2
  
4. (a) Why does Obama in his speech say that change has come to America? L2  
(b) What are the six leadership traits that Kalam talks about? L2  
(or)  
(c) What are the challenges that the Americans are expected to face? L2  
(d) Write in your words Kalam's experience of failure management by a leader. L1
  
5. (a) Explain how SWOC / T model can be used to analyse an Individual. L3  
(b) What are the characteristics of Emotional Intelligence? Explain. L2  
(or)  
(c) What is the importance of netiquette? L1  
(d) How do you develop the positive attitude? L1

**SECTION – B**

**20x1=20 M**

**II Answer the following as directed. L3**

**A. Choose the correct answer in which the subject and verb agree. 4x1 =4**

- i. My sister or my brothers \_\_\_\_\_(is / are) arriving by flight today.
- ii. Cars and bikes ----- (is / are) my means of transportation.
- iii. A number of people \_\_\_\_\_ (has / have) written in about this subject.
- iv. My dogs, along with my cat, \_\_\_\_\_ (is / are) chasing the ball.

**B. Fill in the blanks with suitable articles 4x1=4**

- i. Mary is an Australian, but her husband is \_\_\_\_ European. (a, an , the)
- ii. \_\_\_\_\_ Ganges is a holy river. (a, an , the)
- iii. His father is \_\_\_\_\_ university professor. (a, an , the)
- iv. \_\_\_\_\_ idea can change your life. (a, an , the)

**C. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions 4x1=4**

- i. Many foods ----- milk contain calcium. (Beside, besides)
- ii. Social media is still ----- its infancy. (In, near)
- iii. I will arrive \_\_\_\_\_ six o'clock. (at, in)
- iv. He lives \_\_\_\_\_ 19 Tower Road. (at, on)

**D. Fill in the blanks with suitable verb forms . 4x1=4**

- i. Raghu \_\_\_\_\_ (teach) art in a school in Mangalore.
- ii. I \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Delhi since 1998.
- iii. He \_\_\_\_\_ (read) a novel now.
- iv. She \_\_\_\_\_ (complete) her homework just now.

**E. Add the correct question tag for the following statements. 4x1=4**

- i. Seema sings well \_\_\_\_\_?
- ii. He doesn't swim well, \_\_\_\_\_?
- iii. She saw an accident, \_\_\_\_\_?
- iv. He can walk fast, \_\_\_\_\_?

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**QUESTION PAPER PATTERN**

**SECTION –A**

**I. Answer the following questions**

**5X10=50**

**Question 1 from Unit-1**

**Question 2 from Unit-2**

**Question 3 from Unit1,2,4,5**

**Question 4 from Unit-4**

**Question 5 from Unit-5**

**SECTION-B**

**II Answer the following as directed.**

**20X1=20**

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