

Course Title: Communicative English II – Reading, Vocabulary, and Writing

Credits: 3

Course Description

Communicative English II is a continuation of Communicative English I, and it mainly aims to build proficiency in the learners in reading, vocabulary, and writing skills. The course enables learners to enrich vocabulary using the knowledge of suffixes, prefixes, and roots. Important vocabulary topics such as synonyms, antonyms, phrasal verbs, idioms, and similes are covered. Vocabulary is taught using a wide variety of activities to sustain the interest of the learners. Vocabulary is also practised in conjunction with reading and writing skills. The course, by and large, follows skills integration in teaching the three components – reading, vocabulary, and writing. The reading component part helps learners to comprehend texts of varied types/genres at different levels: factual, inferential, and evaluative. Functional writing is stressed in the writing component. In the teaching of writing skills, learners are helped to relate classroom activities to their daily lives and to their future professional situations. Topics such as letter writing, emailing, resume writing, creating lists, texting, and social media posts are covered in the writing part.

Course Outcomes

Upon completion of this course, learners will be able to:

1. understand and guess the meanings of words, employing the knowledge of suffixes and prefixes and roots;
2. recognize and understand the use of synonyms, phrasal verbs, and idioms in speech and writing;
3. write conversations that contain phrasal verbs, idioms, and similes;
4. comprehend texts of varied types at different levels; and
5. write letters, emails, resumes, lists, and social media posts.

A variety of tasks and activities will be used from various teaching/learning resources.

Evaluation Scheme

Internal assessment: 2 tests (20% each)

Semester-end examination: 60%