

**Generic Electives Language Courses offered by the Department of English  
(GE Language 1) English Language through Literature-I**

**Credit distribution, Eligibility and Pre-requisites of the Course**

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
English Language Through Literature-I	4	3	1	0	Passed Class XII	NIL

**Learning Objectives**

The Learning Objectives of this course are as follows:

- To develop in students the ability and confidence to process, understand and examine different kinds of texts-verbal and written-that they encounter in everyday life.
- To enable students to identify and understand social contexts and ethical frameworks in the texts they encounter.
- To encourage suitable research—to recognize sources; to distinguish fact from opinion/editorialization; produce objective versus subjective pieces
- To learn skilled comprehension; listening/reading; skimming; summarizing; précis writing; paraphrasing; note making
- To identify key topics/arguments/ideas
- To accomplish writing goals: creating an essay; writing a thesis statement; producing topic sentences; developing organised paragraphs; evolving the skill of producing suitable transitions between paragraphs
- To enable students to write in expository argumentative and descriptive modes
- To help students identify and use the characteristic features of various writing forms: letters; programmes reports/press-releases; newspaper; feature articles; fiction and nonfiction
- To enable students to choose between expository, argumentative, descriptive and narrative writing styles to assemble their own writing

## Learning outcomes

The Learning Outcomes of this course are as follows:

- By studying this course, students will be able to inculcate confident expression.
- Students will be able to articulate their own views confidently as their language skills sufficiently empower them to converse, research and collate information from various textual sources—verbal or written.

## SYLLABUS OF GE LANGUAGE-1-

### UNIT – I (20 Hours)

**UNIT 1:** Understanding Everyday Texts.

1. Edwards, Adrian 'Forced displacement worldwide at its highest in decades' *UNHCRorg* UNHCR

<http://www.unhcr.org/afr/news/stories/2017/6/5941561f4/forced-displacement-worldwide-its-highest-decades.html#> Accessed 1st June, 2022

2. Jadhav, Radheshyam 'Groom wanted: Trader peon...anyone but a farmer' *Times News Network*. 1st Jan, 2018

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/chandigarh/groom-wanted-trader-peon-anyone-but-a-farmer/articleshow/62321832.cms> Accessed 1st June, 2022

3. Knapton, Sarah 'Selfitis' -- the obsessive need to post selfies-- is a genuine mental disorder say psychologists' *The Telegraph*. 15th December 2017

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/science/2017/12/15/selfitis-obsessive-need-post-selfies-genuine-mental-disorder/> Accessed 1st June 2022

4. '13 letters every parent every child should read on Children's Day' *The Indian Express*. 10th November 2014

<http://indianexpress.com/article/lifestyle/feelings/12-letters-every-parent-every-child-should-read-on-childrens-day/> Accessed 1st June 2022

### UNIT – II (20 Hours)

**UNIT 2:** Understanding Drama

5. Lakshmi, CS. (i) 'Ambai' (ii) 'Crossing the River', *Staging Resistance: Plays by Women in Translation*. Ed. Tutun Mukherjee, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005.

### UNIT – III (20 Hours)

**UNIT 3:** Understanding Poetry

6. Angelou, Maya. 'Caged Bird', *The Complete Collected Poems of Maya Angelou*. New York: Random House Inc, 1994.

7. Ezekiel, Nissim. 'Goodbye Party for Miss Pushpa TS', *Collected Poems*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2005.

8. Okara, Gabriel. 'Once Upon a Time', *Gabriel Okara: Collected Poems*. Nebraska: University of Nebraska, 2016.

9. Lawrence, DH. 'Last Lesson of the Afternoon', *The Complete Poems of DH Lawrence*. Hertfordshire: Wordsworth Editions, 1994.

**Practical component (if any) - NIL**

**Essential/recommended readings-** as listed in the units

**Suggestive readings- NIL**