Introduction to English: Takeoff Session

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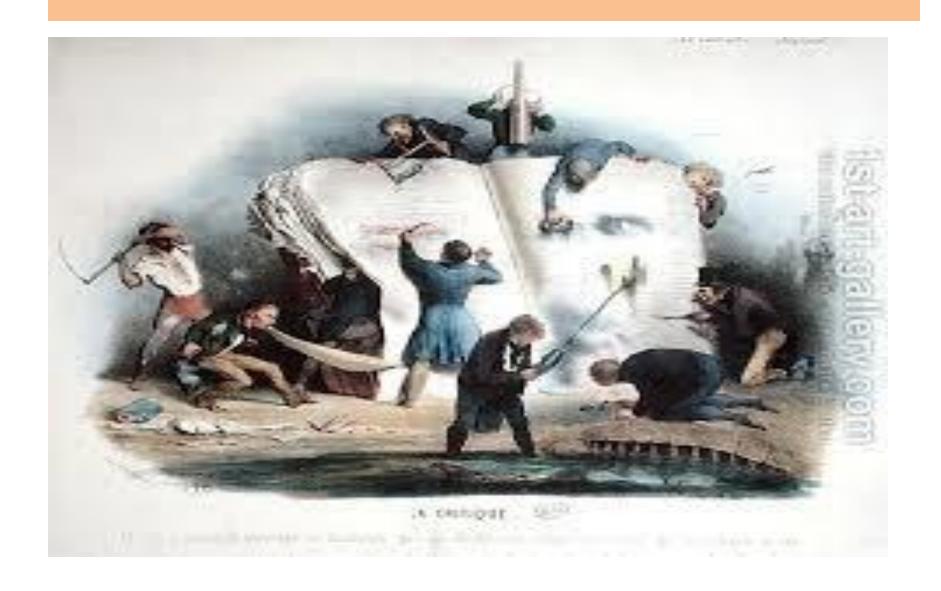


WEL COME TO DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH (the world of dreams)



- Dream big
- Fitness
- Focus
- Academic skills
- Interests
- Plan
- Time
- Preparation
- Participation
- Hope
- Grateful
- The best thing is to begin

SEC – Skill Enhancement Course



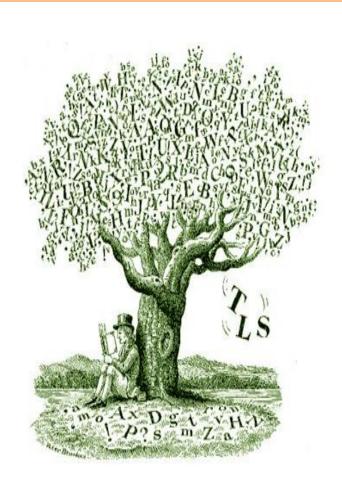
SEC – Skill Enhancement Course: Objectives

- To initiate students for a systematic study of language
- To study a few literary gems from various parts of the globe.
- To enhance the LSRW skills
- To read and understand the poems and prose pieces
- To understand usage of vocabulary and language



Objectives

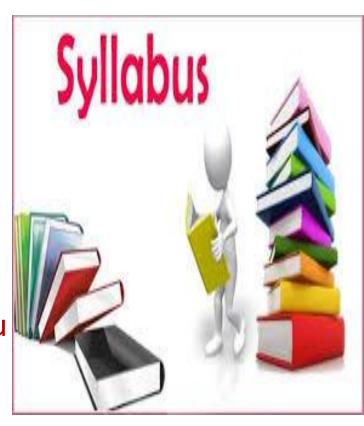
- Mastery over LSRW skills
- Understanding Prose
- Understanding poetry
- Understanding Grammar
- Usage
- Critical Writing skills



TEXT BOOK: English Stars I

Three Units in all

- Unit I: Prose (25 marks)
- 1) Bores E. V. Lucas
- 2) Ritesh Agarwal Karan
- 3) My Lost Doller Stephen Leacock
- 4) Zero Budget Natural Farming Shibu



Unit II: Poetry (1 hr, 25 Marks)

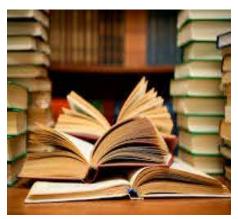
- 1) Unknown Citizen W. H. Auden
- 2. World is too much with us William Wordsworth
- 3. Night of the Scorpion Nissim Ezkiel
- 4. The Road not taken Robert Frost



Unit III: Language Activity (2 hrs, 30 Marks)

- 1) Word class (Nouns, Adjectives, Verbs, adverbs)
- 2. Articles
- 3. Prepositions (Place, Time, Position)
- 4. Affixes
- 5. Use of 'be, have, do'





Pattern of Question Paper

(80 Marks per paper of three hours and 20 Marks for I.A)

I. Objective type questions on Unit I & 2	10x1=10
II. 2 Annotations (1 from Prose & 1 from Poetry)	05X2=10
III. Essay type question on Unit I (1 out of 2)	1X10=10
IV. Essay type question on Unit II (1 out of 2)	1X10=10
V. 2 short notes (1 from Prose & 1 from Poetry	5X02=10
VI. Language Activity on each topic	06X5=30
	Total 80

Internal Assessment: 20 Marks

(2 Internal Tests: 4 & 10 marks

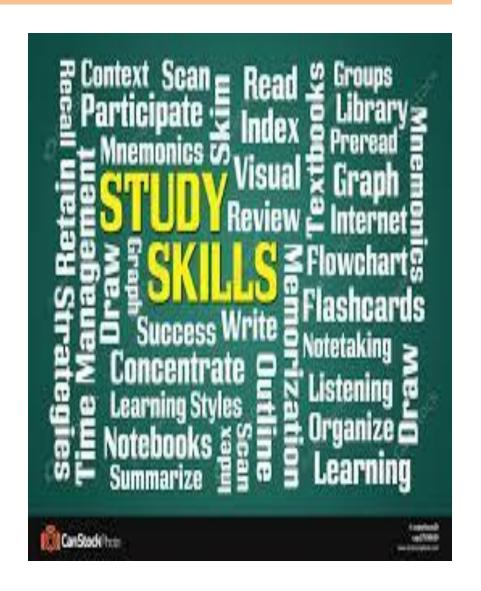
Attendance: 3 marks

Tutorials: 3 marks



Study Skills

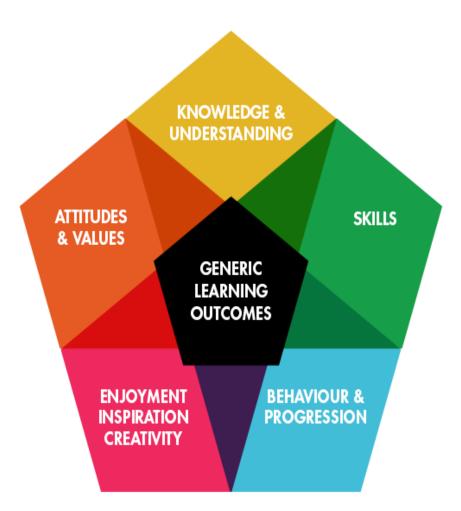
- Organize to Study
- Proper Time to Study
- Sources of Information for Study
- Styles of Writing
- Effective Reading
- Critical Reading
- Reading Strategies



Goal Setting







- Mastery over LSRW skills
- Defining Literature
- Understanding history of Literature
- Understanding poetry
- Defining terms and forms of literature
- Usage
- Critical Writing skills

The Road Not Taken by Robert Frost

 Two roads diverged in a yellow wood, And sorry I could not travel both And be one traveler, long I stood And looked down one as far as I could To where it bent in the undergrowth;



The Road Not Taken: Second stanza

Then took the other, as just as fair,
 And having perhaps the better claim,
 Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
 Though as for that the passing there
 Had worn them really about the same,



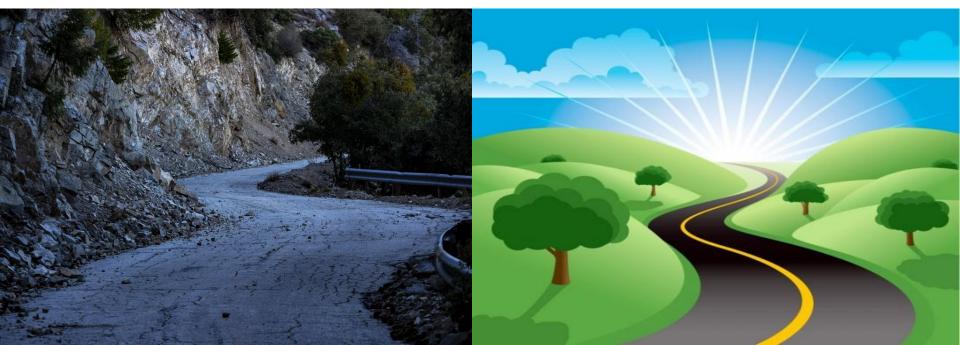
The Road Not Taken: third stanza

And both that morning equally lay
 In leaves no step had trodden black.
 Oh, I kept the first for another day!
 Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
 I doubted if I should ever come back.



The Road Not Taken: fourth stanza

I shall be telling this with a sigh
 Somewhere ages and ages hence:
 Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
 I took the one less traveled by,
 And that has made all the difference.



Poetic Devices

assonance in the poem's first line, emphasizing the
"o" sound in "roads" and "yellow," the alliteration in
the third line of the second stanza with "wanted
wear," and, within this same line,
the personification in the road "it was grassy and
wanted wear."

Important Message of the Poem

- man comes across many situations when he has to take a decision which sometimes can be crucial. We must make the right choice by keeping in mind that 'opportunity knocks only once.
- 'Take your own decisions without any regrets.'
- The moral lesson that Frost conveys through the poem is that whenever life gives us choices, we must make the decisions wisely.

Any Questions



