

FOUNDATION COURSE  
PAPER - II  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE

M.M. 75

**UNIT-1 Basic Language skills : Grammar and Usage.**

Grammar and Vocabulary based on the prescribed text.

To be assessed by objective / multiple choice tests.

(Grammar - 20 Marks  
Vocabulary - 15 Marks)

**UNIT-2 Comprehension of an unseen passage.**

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This should imply not only (a) an understanding of the passage in question, but also (b) a grasp of general language skills and issues with reference to words and usage

within the passage and (c) the Power of short independent composition based on themes and issues raised in the passage.

To be assessed by both objective multiple choice and short answer type tests.

**UNIT-3 Composition :** Paragraph writing

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**UNIT-4 Letter writing** (The formal and one Informal)

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Two letters to be attempted of 5 marks each. One formal and one informal.

**UNIT-5 Texts :**

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Short prose pieces (Fiction and not fiction) short poems, the pieces should cover a range of authors, subjects and contexts. With poetry if may sometimes be advisable to include pieces from earlier periods, which are often simpler than modern examples. In all cases, the language should be accessible (with a minimum of explanation and reference to standard dictionaries) to the general body of students schooled in the medium of an Indian language.

Students should be able to grasp the contents of each piece; explain specific words, phrases and allusions; and comment on general points of narrative or argument. Formal Principles of Literary criticism should not be taken up at this stage.

To be assessed by five short answers of three marks each.

#### **BOOKS PRESCRIBED -**

English Language and Indian Culture - Published by M.P. Hindi Granth Academy Bhopal.

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