

# **HBSE Class 10 English Syllabus**

## **Class-X**

### **Subject: English**

#### **Annual Guidelines for teachers**

A teacher is supposed to take the following points in consideration while teaching prose/poetry:

- 1 Teacher should correlate the contents of the chapter with the examples of day to day life to make the students understand the text well.
- 2 Teacher must stress the vocabulary given in a particular chapter to enrich the word power of students, to enhance their understanding pronunciation and stress while reading aloud in classroom.
- 3 Stress must be given on correct pronunciation while reading the text aloud and letting the children read the text.
- 4 The style of a writer enunciating his experiences or writing about historical events and places, must be explained to the students i.e. whether it is narrative, persuasive, expressionistic or impressionistic.
- 5 A critical appreciation of the poem must be given to the students; while teaching poems the teacher must explain used vocabulary, style, diction, use of figures of speech etc in the text.
- 6 Prose/play must be taught on the basis of activities such as group discussion, role playing, debate, declamation etc. (developing similar topics as given in the chapters.)
- 7 Grammar already used in the text of a chapter must be related to the topics of grammar taught in the class i.e. parts of speech, prepositions, conjunctions etc. used in the sentences of text.
- 8 To enhance the correct usage of English, teacher must encourage the students to go on the pattern used in the text of the chapter.
- 9 Students must be encouraged for a comparative study of the text giving references and allusions from other chapters if there is any relation in the text i.e. ideas, style, lexical and grammatical usage.
- 10 For improving the communicative skills of students, teacher must encourage the students to participate in different types of activities to be done in classroom such as; Newspaper cuttings, preparing charts based on grammar, flow charts based on story or paragraph, developing paragraph by speaking in front of class and organizing debate and discussions based on chapters and related issues.

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**Chapter wise Guidelines**

A teacher is supposed to take the following points in consideration while teaching prose/poetry:

1. In chapters like A LETTER TO GOD and THE HUNDRED DRESSES teacher must explain ironical scenes and situations to the students in addition to the detailed study of phrases used in the chapter.
2. In chapters NELSON MANDELA: LONG WALK TO FREEDOM and FROM THE DAIRY OF ANNE FRANK autobiographical note and a good usage of vocabulary must be told to the students in detail making them follow their righteous deeds.
3. The moral values that reflect in the chapters THE HUNDRED DRESSES, THE THIEF'S STORY, THE NECKLACE and BHOLI should be discussed and explained purely to embellish students' moral and ethical instincts.
4. Students must be told to take inspiration from the chapters like NELSON MANDELA: LONG WALK TO FREEDOM, HIS FIRST FLIGHT, THE MAKING OF A SCIENTIST and BHOLI. Such chapters must be discussed once and again in the class to encourage the students.
5. The chapter GLIMPSES OF INDIA is a panorama of unity in diversity. This chapter should be discussed with the help of map (if necessary) making the students aware about cultural and regional diversity of India.
6. To arouse love, care and sympathy towards animals and nature the chapters/poems like MIJBIL THE OTTER, MADAM RIDES THE BUS, A TIGER IN THE ZOO and ANIMALS should be elaborated highlighting the role and importance of animals and nature in human life.
7. The difference between comedy and tragedy must be told to the students while discussing the chapters MADAM RIDES THE BUS, THE PROPOSAL, THE MIDNIGHT VISITOR, A QUESTION OF TRUST, THE BOOK THAT SAVED THE EARTH etc.
8. The poem and chapter THE TREES and BHOLI respectively reflect feministic approach and that must be enunciated to the students in detail.

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**Syllabus**

| Month       | Name of Books                                                                   | Contents                                                                                                                                               | Periods Allotted | Periods of Revision |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| April       | First Flight                                                                    | A Letter to God                                                                                                                                        | 5                | 4                   |
|             |                                                                                 | Dust of Snow(Poem)                                                                                                                                     | 2                |                     |
|             | Footprints Without Feet                                                         | Fire and Ice (Poem)                                                                                                                                    | 2                |                     |
|             | Grammar                                                                         | A Triumph of Surgery                                                                                                                                   | 4                |                     |
|             | Composition                                                                     | Punctuation [ Semicolon, Colon, Dash, Hyphen, Parenthesis, use of brackets and exclamation mark]<br>Skills in writing (business letters)               | 3                |                     |
|             |                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                        | 4                |                     |
| May         | First Flight                                                                    | Nelson Mandela- Long Walk to Freedom                                                                                                                   | 5                | 4                   |
|             |                                                                                 | A Tiger in the Zoo(Poem)                                                                                                                               | 2                |                     |
|             | Footprints Without Feet                                                         | The Thief's Story                                                                                                                                      | 4                |                     |
|             |                                                                                 | The Midnight Visitor                                                                                                                                   | 3                |                     |
|             | Grammar                                                                         | Tenses (Present, past, future)                                                                                                                         | 4                |                     |
|             | Composition                                                                     | Articles (Definite, Indefinite)<br>Skills in writing (personal, official letters including letters on road safety)                                     | 1<br>4           |                     |
|             | Reading Skill                                                                   | Unseen passages                                                                                                                                        | 2                |                     |
| June        | Vacation                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                        |                  |                     |
| July        | First Flight                                                                    | The Stories About Flying                                                                                                                               | 4                | 3                   |
|             |                                                                                 | His First Flight, Black Aeroplane                                                                                                                      |                  |                     |
|             |                                                                                 | How to Tell Wild Animals (Poem)                                                                                                                        |                  |                     |
|             | Footprints Without Feet                                                         | The Ball Poem (poems)                                                                                                                                  |                  |                     |
|             | Grammar                                                                         | A Question of Trust                                                                                                                                    |                  |                     |
|             | Footprints Without Feet                                                         | 3                                                                                                                                                      |                  |                     |
|             | Reported Speech (Direct and Indirect speech)                                    | 3                                                                                                                                                      |                  |                     |
| Composition | Writing skills (Description of Function/events/incidents/including road safety) | 3                                                                                                                                                      |                  |                     |
| August      | First Flight                                                                    | From the Diary of Anne Frank                                                                                                                           | 5                | 4                   |
|             |                                                                                 | Amanda! (Poem)                                                                                                                                         | 2                |                     |
|             | Footprints Without Feet                                                         | Animals (Poem)                                                                                                                                         | 2                |                     |
|             | Grammar                                                                         | The Making of a Scientist                                                                                                                              | 4                |                     |
|             | Composition                                                                     | Modals (shall, will, can, could, may might, must, should, would, ought to, need, dare, used to)<br>Writing Skills (Verbal and pictorial story writing) | 4                |                     |
| Sept        | First Flight                                                                    | The Hundred Dresses (Part I&II)                                                                                                                        | 8                | 2                   |
|             | Footprints Without Feet                                                         | The Necklace                                                                                                                                           | 4                |                     |
|             | Grammar                                                                         | Clauses : Complex and Compound                                                                                                                         | 4                |                     |

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|          | Composition             | sentences [Noun, adjective and adverbial clauses]<br>Interview (Dialogue completion)                                                       | 2           |   |
| October  | First Flight            | Glimpses of India<br>(I) A Baker from Goa<br>(II) Coorg<br>(III) Tea from Assam                                                            | 6           | 4 |
|          | Footprints Without Feet | The Trees (Poem)<br>The Hack Driver                                                                                                        | 2<br>4      |   |
|          | Grammar                 | Non finites (The Infinitives, Gerund and participles)                                                                                      | 3           |   |
|          | Composition             | Reports (Present and past happening & functions)                                                                                           | 3           |   |
| November | First Flight            | Mizbil the Otter<br>Fog (poem)                                                                                                             | 3<br>2      | 4 |
|          | Footprints Without Feet | Bholi                                                                                                                                      | 4           |   |
|          | Grammar                 | Use of Idioms (Verbal & prepositional phrases)                                                                                             | 3           |   |
|          | Composition             | Simple Advertisement (Classified advertisement e.g. Situation vacant, job wanted for, sale & purchase, accommodation wanted, lost & found) | 4           |   |
| December | First Flight            | Madam Rides the Bus<br>The Sermon at Benares<br>The Tale of Custard the Dragon (Poem)                                                      | 4<br>3<br>3 | 4 |
|          | Footprints Without Feet | The Book That Saved the Earth                                                                                                              | 3           |   |
|          | Literary Terms          | Figures of speech (Simile, metaphor, rhyme scheme)                                                                                         | 2           |   |
|          | Composition             | Conversation & Discussion (Simple conversation on topics given by the teacher)                                                             | 2           |   |
| January  | First Flight            | The Proposal<br>For Anne Gregory (Poem)                                                                                                    | 6<br>2      | 3 |
|          | Footprints Without Feet | Road Safety                                                                                                                                | 3           |   |
|          | Grammar                 | Revision (Tenses, reported speech, modals, and clauses)                                                                                    | 2           |   |
|          | Composition             | Writing skills (Application, letters and stories) Reading skills (unseen passages poster making including Road Safety)                     | 3           |   |
| February |                         | Revision of the whole syllabus                                                                                                             |             |   |
| March    |                         | Exam                                                                                                                                       |             |   |