

Department of English
Language Foundation Course
Kumaun Universtiy, Nainital

Undergraduate Course in English Language (Foundation Course) (Semester System)

NOTE:

- **The course work shall be divided into two semesters with two papers in each semester.**
- **The Foundation course will have two papers in each semester of 75 marks each; out of which 55 marks are assigned for end semester examination and 20 marks are assigned for internal assessment in the form of class test, assignments or combination of both. The qualifying marks will be 33% (total of end semester exam and internal assessment).**

B. A. First Semester
English Language
First Paper

Maximum Marks: 75 (55+20)
Semester end examination: 55
Internal Assessment: 20

1. Use of Articles
2. Use of Prepositions
3. One-word substitution
4. Synonyms
5. Antonyms
6. Filling up of blanks with appropriate words
7. Use of Verbs
8. Correct spelling of words
9. Tenses
10. Subject-verb agreement
11. Appropriate use of Conjunctions
12. Spotting errors in sentences
13. Analogies

Note: This paper will consist of fifty-five Objective Type questions. Each multiple choice question shall be of 01 mark.

B. A. First Semester

English Language

Second Paper

Maximum Marks: 75 (55+20)

Semester end examination: 55

Internal Assessment: 20

1. Punctuation
2. Idioms and Phrases
3. Common errors in sentences
4. Synthesis
5. Tag questions and Cleft sentences
6. Verbal and prepositional phrases
7. Homophones, Homonyms and Heteronyms
8. Affixes
9. Clauses
10. Formation of words- Noun, Verb and Adjective
11. Foreign words and phrases
12. Transformation of sentences:
 - a. Simple, Complex and Compound
 - b. Voice- Active and Passive
 - c. Affirmative, Negative, Interrogative and Exclamatory
 - d. Narration- Direct and Indirect

Note: The candidate shall be required to answer eleven questions. All questions carry equal marks.

B. A. Second Semester

English Language

First Paper

Maximum Marks: 75 (55+20)

Semester end examination: 55

Internal Assessment: 20

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| 1. Comprehension of an Unseen passage | 10 |
| 2. Translation from Hindi to English | 05 |
| 3. Translation from English to Hindi | 05 |
| 4. Essay | 15 |
| 5. Five short-answer type questions (in not less than 50 words) to be attempted from 8 given options from the following prescribed book: 20 (5 X 4) | |
| Lessons I, II, VI, VIII, X, XII, XIII, XIV, XV and XVI from <i>English Prose Selections</i> | |
| Ed. Shiv Kumar and M. M. Bhalla (Orient Longman) | |

B. A. Second Semester

English Language

Second Paper

Maximum Marks: 75 (55+20)

Semester end examination: 55

Internal Assessment: 20

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| 1. Précis | 07 |
| 2. Expansion of an idea into a paragraph | 06 |
| 3. Letter / Application writing | 06 |
| 4. Report Writing | 06 |
| 5. Dialogue writing | 06 |
| 6. Memorandum and Circular writing | 06 |
| 7. Preparing Bio-data, Curriculum-vitae and Resume | 06 |
| 8. Preparing Minutes, Notices, Agenda etc. | 06 |
| 9. Invitation and Advertisement writing | 06 |