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## Teaching and Learning Resources for HSSC English

### HSSC Recommended Texts and Reference Materials

Given below is a list of useful recommended textbooks that may be used by students and teachers. As no examination material will be reproduced from the learners' textbook, teachers are not confined to the use of the same text in every school. Any one of the texts recommended below should promote sound learning, and we leave it to the individual teacher to specify one or the other as the text for Grade XI and XII. No pupil should be asked to equip him or herself with more than one text but we would recommend that copies of all textbooks be placed in the school library. The recommended texts will be periodically updated.

The recommended texts are:

For Students			For Teachers
	Demanding	Less Demanding	
Very Useful	<p>Redford, R. (2010) <i>English: An International Approach 4</i>. Oxford University Press</p> <p>Soars, L. and Soars J. <i>American Headway 4 and 5</i>. Oxford University Press</p>	<p>Amberina M. K. and Farida F. (2009). <i>English Skills for XI</i>. Karachi: Oxford University Press</p> <p>Amberina M. K. and Farida F. (2009). <i>English Skills for XII</i>. Karachi: Oxford University Press</p>	<p>Cartina, J. and Elder, J. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. (2008) <i>New Worlds: An Introduction to College Reading</i>. McGraw-Hill</p> <p>Gould, M. and Kemp, B. (2013) <i>Grammar for GCSE English</i>. Collins</p>
Useful	<p>Kirszner, L. and Mandell S. (2004) <i>Patterns for College Writing</i>. Bedford, St Martin's (eBook available for free)</p> <p>Mitchell. H.Q. and Scott. J. (2002). <i>Channel Your English – Intermediate</i>. MM Publications.</p>		<p>Doff, A. and Jones, C. (2001) <i>Language in Use, Pre Intermediate and Intermediate</i>. Cambridge University Press.</p>

Skills	Websites	Materials Available
Listening Skills	<a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/general/sixminute/index.shtml">http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/learningenglish/general/sixminute/index.shtml</a> <a href="http://www.esl-lab.com">www.esl-lab.com</a> <a href="http://learningenglish.voanews.com/archive/learningenglish-programs-radio-making-of-a-nation/latest/979/979.html">http://learningenglish.voanews.com/archive/learningenglish-programs-radio-making-of-a-nation/latest/979/979.html</a> <a href="http://www.learnenglishfeelgood.com/listening/english-listening-test1.html">http://www.learnenglishfeelgood.com/listening/english-listening-test1.html</a> <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/skills/listening">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/skills/listening</a>	Recorded passages and questions/ MCQs Miscellaneous exercises
Reading Skills	<a href="http://www.majortests.com/sat/reading-comprehension.php">www.majortests.com/sat/reading-comprehension.php</a> <a href="http://www.ereadingworksheets.com">www.ereadingworksheets.com</a> <a href="http://www.englishforeveryone.org">www.englishforeveryone.org</a> <a href="https://www.myenglishpages.com/english/reading.php">https://www.myenglishpages.com/english/reading.php</a> <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/skills/reading">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/skills/reading</a>	Multipurpose reading exercises and MCQs
Writing Skills	<a href="http://www.readwritethink.org">www.readwritethink.org</a> <a href="https://www.myenglishpages.com/english/writing.php">https://www.myenglishpages.com/english/writing.php</a> <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/skills/writing">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/skills/writing</a>	Narrative/ expository/ persuasive writing help
General Language Proficiency	<a href="http://www.learnenglishfeelgood.com/listening/english-listening-test1.html">http://www.learnenglishfeelgood.com/listening/english-listening-test1.html</a> <a href="http://www.eslgold.com/writing.html">http://www.eslgold.com/writing.html</a> <a href="https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/grammar">https://learnenglish.britishcouncil.org/grammar</a> <a href="https://www.perfect-english-grammar.com/grammar-exercises.html">https://www.perfect-english-grammar.com/grammar-exercises.html</a> <a href="https://www.grammarbank.com/beginners-reading-passage-10.html">https://www.grammarbank.com/beginners-reading-passage-10.html</a>	Grammar/ pronunciation/ listening worksheets  Activities on all skills

**Note:** This resource list has been prepared primarily for teachers. While it can be shared with students, students should not be required to buy multiple books. Schools are encouraged to stock these books in the library. Moreover, these are only suggestions which have been compiled for the ease of teachers and students; schools are encouraged to use other resources for teaching and learning as well, as long as they are in line with the student learning outcomes (SLOs) mentioned in AKU-EB syllabi. Unless specified, AKU-EB does not endorse any of these books or websites. You are advised to use an ad-blocker while accessing the websites. In case any website is not functional for any reason, you may inform us at [examination.board@aku.edu](mailto:examination.board@aku.edu) for an alternative or search material via any search engine. If you have any query, please contact us via email.