English Communicative Class 9 Syllabus

**Exam Structure**

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| **Section** |  | **Marks** |
| A | Reading Skills | 20 |
| B | Writing Skills with Grammar | 30 |
| C | Literature Textbook and Extended Reading Text | 30 |
|  | **Total** | **80** |

The annual examination is of 80 marks, with a duration of three hours.

Section A: Reading

This section will have two reading passages as per the details below:

**Q.1:** A Factual passage 300-350 words with eight Very Short Answer Type Questions. [8 marks]

**Q. 2:** A Discursive passage of 350-400 words with four Short Answer Type Questions to test inference, evaluation and analysis and four Very Short Answer Type questions to test vocabulary. [12 marks]

Section B: Writing and Grammar

**Q.3:** Writing a diary/article in about 100-120 words based on visual or verbal cue/s. The questions will be thematically based on MCB. [8 marks]

**Q.4:** Writing a short story based on a given outline or cue/s in about 200-250 words. [12 marks]

The**Grammar** syllabus includes the following areas in classes IX:

1. Tenses
2. Modals (have to/had to, must, should, need, ought to and their negative forms)
3. Use of passive voice
4. Subject - verb concord
5. Reporting
   * Commands and requests
   * Statements
   * Questions
6. Clauses
   * Noun clauses
   * Adverb clauses of condition and time
   * Relative clauses
7. Determiners
8. Prepositions

Above topics will be tested through test types as given below:

**Q.5:** Gap filling with one or two words to test Prepositions, Articles, Conjunctions and Tenses [3 marks]

**Q.6:** Editing or Omission [4 marks]

**Q.7:** Sentences reordering or Sentence Transformation in context [3 marks]

Section C: Literature Textbook and Extended Reading Text

**Q.8:** One out of two extracts from prose/poetry/play for reference to the context. Four Very Short Answer Questions: two questions of one mark each for global comprehension and two questions of one mark each for interpretation. [4 marks]

**Q.9:** Four Short Answer type Questions from the Literature Reader to test local and global comprehension of theme and ideas (30-40 words each) [8 marks]

**Q.10:** One out of two Long Answer type Questions to assess how the values inherent in the text have been brought out. Creativity, imagination and extrapolation beyond the text and across the texts will be assessed. (100-120 words). [8 marks]

**Q.11:** One out of two very Long Answer Questions on theme, plot involving interpretation, inference and character sketch, in about 150-200 words based on the prescribed  
extended reading text. [10 Marks]

Prescribed Books

**Interact in English Series**

* Main Course Book (Revised edition)
* Literature Reader (Revised edition)
* Workbook (Revised edition)

**Extended Reading Texts (either one)**

* Gullivers Travels (unabridged) by Jonathan Swift
* Three Men in a Boat (unabridged) by Jerome. K. Jerome