

Objectives:

- To introduce corrective measures to eliminate grammatical errors in speaking and writing.

Outcomes

- The students would be able to understand theoretical and conceptual understanding of the elements of grammar.
- The students would be able to enhance their ability to write accurately and fluently.
- The students would familiarize the learners with English sounds through listening.

Unit I

Remedial Grammar – An Introduction

Introduction to grammar (what is grammar, its importance etc); different approaches to grammar: traditional, generative, transformative, and communicative.

Forms & functions of nouns, pronouns, prepositions.

Unit II

Verbs (transitive & intransitive, regular & irregular), tense & aspect, auxiliaries (primary & modal), negatives, questions, agreement & concord.

Unit-III

Writing skills

Mechanics of writing – features and sub-skills linguistic and discourse

Academic Writing / Technical Writing / Content Writing

Unit – IV

Introduction to Phonetics

The syllable and consonant clusters

Word accent and rhythm

Unit –V

Intonation in connected speech

Transcription of words and short sentences with primary stress and tonic accent.

Resources for Further Reading:

- Leech, G. & J. Svartvik (2002) A Communicative Grammar of English. Pearson, India.
- Balasubramanian, T. (2013) A Textbook of English Phonetics for Indian Students, 2nd Ed., Macmillan, New Delhi.
- Raman, M. & S. Sharma (2011) Communication Skills, OUP, New Delhi, India.