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PREFACE



Express in English is a new series of English text books comprising of three books from VI to VIII. The main objective of the series is to introduce teaching innovative and need-based learning of English so that it can be an enjoyable and rewarding experience for the learners.

The study material chosen for these books has been deliberately selected keeping in mind the level and interest of the students at various levels. The topics and the length of texts have been chosen with a deep insight into the ability of students in different parts of the country as well as teachers' competency.

The approach of these books is child centred and activity based. They are designed to promote language development through various skills like comprehension, word building, pair-work, written work, communication, discussion and role-play.

The lessons in these books have been designed and illustrated with colourful pictures in a very artistic way to create interest among children. The various exercises set in the books will engage the students individually or in pairs or groups. It will help the learners develop the habit of independent thinking and also give them an equal opportunity to express their views, ideas and opinions. New words have been introduced in each lesson and their use explained with a view to build up vocabulary power of the students.

The main emphasis is laid on the acquisition of effective language skills rather than producing content-based and memory-oriented answers. The books provide a variety of activities for developing listening, speaking, reading and writing skills to enable the learners communicate in English fluently, effectively, accurately and independently under various situations.

We hope that our efforts will be appreciated by teachers as well as learners. Suggestions, if any, for improvement of the series will be thankfully acknowledged and incorporated in subsequent editions.

— Author



Detailed Contents

Unit No.	Lesson Name	Understanding the Text	Sharpen Your Vocabulary	Speaking Skills	Writing Skills	Improve Your Grammar	Time for Activities
1.	My Mother	Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Explanation	Antonyms, Synonyms, make sentences	.....	.....	.....	Brief Summary, Qualities of mother that attracts you most
2.	Wit Versus Anger	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who Said and to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Modals, Change as directed	Class discussion, What do you do when your parents/elders get angry
3.	The Gift of the Magi	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who Said and to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Letter Writing	Use of correct verb forms, Correct the sentences	Discussion, Discussion on festivals, Christmas tree
4.	Carnivorous Plants	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Various methods used by Carnivorous Plants for getting food	Creative Writing	Identifying Active and Passive Voice	Inventors and Inventions, Interesting facts about carnivorous plants
5.	The Banyan Deer	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Practising discussions on group names	Creative Writing	Transformation of Assertive sentences	Names of male, female and young ones, Class discussion
❖	Somebody's Mother	Poem to Read					
❖	Interactive Session-I						
6.	The Birth of the Lilies	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Developing Conversation	Creative Writing	Transformation of Assertive sentences	Constellations, Creative thinking
7.	A Dialogue on Environment Pollution	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	Fill in the Blanks with correct words, Antonyms, Make sentences	Developing Conversation	Creative Writing	Collective Nouns, Use of Present Continuous Tense	Creative thinking
8.	The Brave Heart	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Practising Conversation	Creative Writing	Direct and Indirect Speech	Creative survey
9.	Face to Face	Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Explanation	Rhyming Words, Synonyms, make sentences	.....	.....	.....	Creative writing, Discussion
❖	Interactive Session-II						

Unit No.	Lesson Name	Understanding the Text	Sharpen Your Vocabulary	Speaking Skills	Writing Skills	Improve Your Grammar	Time for Activities
❖	Model Test Paper-I						
❖	Life Skills-I						
❖	Project-I						
10.	Means of Communication	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	Face expressions, Antonyms, Make sentences	Practising Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Gerund, Compound Words	Traffic Signs, Modern means of communication
11.	Joseph Lister-Father of Modern Surgery	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	Use of synonyms, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Articles, Possessive Pronouns	Medical inventions and their Inventors, Discussion on how to keep surroundings clean
12.	Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Practising Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Question Tags	Class discussion, Discussion Proverb
❖	Interactive Session-III						
13.	The Purple Jar	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Practising Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Correct Prepositions, Do as directed, Combination of sentences	Creative thinking, Class discussion
14.	Measure for Measure	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who Said and to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Past Perfect Tense, Combine the sentences using 'because'	Class discussion, Moral of the story
15.	The Rain	Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Explanation	Antonyms, Synonyms, make sentences	.....	.....	.....	Things you do when it rains outside, Discussion on rainwater harvesting
❖	The Genie in the Bottle	Story to Read					
❖	Interactive Session-IV						
❖	Model Test Paper-II						
❖	Life Skills-II						
❖	Project-II						



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