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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.	Victory	Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Explanation	Antonyms, Synonyms, make sentences	.....	.....	.....	Brief Summary, Class discussion, project on glacier
2.	Tom Whitewashes the Fence	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	Developing Conversation	Creative Writing	Voice Change: Passive to Active	How do you help your parents in household work, discussion
3.	The Clever Lady and the Judge	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	Removal of too...to	Narrating incident
4.	The Little Match Girl	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Match the Columns, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Conjunction	Narrating experience, discussion, discussion on reasons for difference in temperature
5.	The Diamond Necklace	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Past Continuous Tense	Discussion
❖	We are Seven	Poem to Read					
❖	Interactive Session-I						
6.	The Enchanted Money Bag	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	Fill in the Blanks with correct words, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Three forms of Adjectives, Identifying Adjectives	Developing story from picture
7.	The New Sanskrit Teacher	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Developing Conversation	Creative Writing	Identifying Voice, Voice Change	Developing speech, funny incidents you faced in life
8.	A Letter to God	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	Present Continuous Tense	Creative writing, class discussion
9.	Vocation	Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Explanation	Table completion, Synonyms, make sentences	.....	.....	.....	Creative thinking, Professions you like, your aim in life
❖	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.	The Royal Bengal Tiger	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	Do as directed, Voice Change	Information on 'Project Tiger', Knowing about wild animals
11.	Robin Hood Outwits the Sheriff	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Developing Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of 'It' and 'There', Use of Correct Verb Forms	Class discussion on Robin Hood
12.	The Inventor Who Brought the World Closer	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Practising Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Adverb	Scientific/electronic gadgets and their inventors, Inventions and their inventors
❖	Interactive Session-III						
13.	Fish on the Tree	Short Questions, Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Fill in the Blanks, Who said to Whom, Long Questions	One word substitution, Antonyms, Make sentences	Completing Conversation	Creative Writing	One word substitution, Use of suitable prepositions	Riddles
14.	The Selfish Giant	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	Developing Conversation	Creative Writing	Use of Simile	All about Indian Forts
15.	Lucy Gray	Multiple Choice, Question-Answer, True-False, Explanation	Antonyms, Synonyms, make sentences	.....	.....	.....	Creative thinking, discussion
❖	A Pound of Flesh	Story to Read					
❖	Interactive Session-IV						
❖	Model Test Paper-II						
❖	Life Skills-II						
❖	Project-II						



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