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AKSHARAM-I [Grade 1]

Objectives:

- Develop Basic Listening Skills
- Enhance Speaking Abilities
- Build Foundational Reading Skills
- Establish Early Writing Skills
- Introduce Basic Grammar Concepts

Listening

Objectives:

- Develop the ability to listen attentively for specific information.
- Understand and follow simple directions.
- Recognize and respond to various sounds and tones.

Activities:

- 1. **Storytime Listening:** Teacher reads a story aloud; students answer questions about the characters and events.
- 2. **Sound Games:** Identify sounds in the environment (e.g., animal noises, instruments).
- 3. **Following Directions:** Play "Simon Says" or follow multi-step instructions for a craft activity.

Assessment:

- Observe students' ability to follow directions.
- Ask comprehension questions after a story to check understanding.
- Conduct listening games and note student responses.

Speaking

Objectives:

- Speak in complete sentences.
- Use appropriate volume and clarity.
- Participate in group discussions and activities.

- 1. **Show and Tell:** Students bring an item from home and talk about it.
- 2. **Role-Playing:** Act out simple scenarios like shopping at a store or visiting a doctor.
- 3. **Group Discussions:** Share experiences or opinions about a book or topic.

- Teacher observation of participation and clarity in group activities.
- Checklist for speaking in complete sentences and using appropriate volume.
- Peer feedback during show and tell.

Reading

Objectives:

- Recognize and read high-frequency words.
- Understand basic story structure (beginning, middle, end).
- Develop decoding skills for simple words.

Activities:

- 1. **Daily Reading Time:** Read-aloud sessions with picture books and simple texts.
- 2. **Word Wall:** Display high-frequency words in the classroom; practice reading them daily.
- 3. **Reading Centers:** Rotate through stations with activities like matching words to pictures, reading with a buddy, or using educational apps.

Assessment:

- Sight word recognition tests.
- Oral reading sessions where students read aloud to the teacher.
- Comprehension questions after reading a story.

Writing

Objectives:

- Form upper and lower case letters correctly.
- Write simple sentences with proper spacing and punctuation.
- Express ideas through pictures and words.

Activities:

- 1. **Handwriting Practice:** Use lined paper to practice letter formation.
- 2. **Journal Writing:** Daily journal entries with a picture and a sentence about their day or a topic.
- 3. **Sentence Building:** Use word cards to create and write simple sentences.

Assessment:

- Check handwriting for proper letter formation.
- Review journal entries for sentence structure and clarity.
- Assess sentence-building activities for correct word order and punctuation.

Grammar

Objectives:

- Understand basic parts of speech (nouns, verbs, adjectives).
- Use correct punctuation in sentences.
- Identify and use simple grammatical structures (e.g., subject-verb agreement).

Activities:

- 1. **Grammar Games:** Use games like "Noun Hunt" (finding nouns around the classroom) or "Verb Charades" (acting out verbs).
- 2. **Sentence Sorting:** Sort words into categories (nouns, verbs, adjectives) and use them to build sentences.
- 3. Punctuation Practice: Use worksheets and interactive activities to practice periods, question marks, and exclamation points.

- Grammar quizzes on parts of speech.
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- Activities where students correct sentences for grammar and punctuation errors.

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Curriculum AKSHARAM-II [Grade 2]

Objectives:

- Enhance Listening Comprehension
- Improve Speaking Skills
- Advance Reading Proficiency
- Strengthen Writing Abilities
- Deepen Understanding of Grammar and Usage

Listening

Objectives:

- Enhance listening skills for understanding and following multi-step directions.
- Improve ability to recall and discuss key details from oral presentations.
- Develop active listening habits and respect for speakers.

Activities:

- 1. **Story Retelling:** Teacher reads a story aloud, and students retell the story in their own words.
- 2. **Listening Centers:** Set up listening stations with audiobooks and headphones; students answer questions afterward.
- 3. **Classroom Discussions:** Participate in discussions where students must listen to each other's ideas and respond appropriately.

Assessment:

- Observation of students' ability to follow multi-step directions.
- Oral questioning and discussions to check comprehension of listened content.
- Listening comprehension worksheets based on audiobooks.

Speaking

Objectives:

- Speak clearly and audibly in complete sentences.
- Use appropriate vocabulary and express ideas effectively.
- Participate in collaborative conversations with peers and adults.

- 1. **Show and Tell:** Students present an item and discuss it with the class, using descriptive language.
- 2. **Storytelling:** Students create and tell their own stories, focusing on clear sequencing.

3. **Group Projects:** Collaborate on a group project and present findings to the class.

Assessment:

- Teacher observation and checklists for clarity, volume, and use of complete sentences.
- Peer and teacher feedback during presentations.
- Evaluation of participation in group discussions and projects.

Reading

Objectives:

- Develop fluency in reading grade-level texts.
- Enhance comprehension skills by identifying main ideas and details.
- Expand vocabulary and understanding of text structures.

Activities:

- 1. **Guided Reading:** Small group sessions with the teacher to read and discuss books.
- 2. **Reading Journals:** Students keep a journal to respond to prompts about the books they read.
- 3. **Buddy Reading:** Pair up students to read and discuss books together.

Assessment:

- Running records to assess reading fluency and accuracy.
- Comprehension quizzes and activities based on reading passages.
- Evaluation of reading journal entries for understanding and engagement.

Writing

Objectives:

- Write narratives, informative texts, and opinion pieces with clear structure.
- Use proper capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.
- Develop writing by planning, revising, and editing.

Activities:

- 1. **Writing Workshops:** Sessions where students write, share, and revise their work with teacher guidance.
- 2. **Prompt Writing:** Regular writing prompts to practice different types of writing (stories, letters, informational pieces).
- 3. **Peer Review:** Students exchange writing pieces and provide constructive feedback to each other.

- Writing rubrics to evaluate structure, clarity, and use of conventions.
- Review of writing portfolios that include drafts and final pieces.
- Checklists for self-assessment and peer feedback.

Grammar

Objectives:

- Understand and use basic parts of speech (nouns, verbs, adjectives, pronouns).
- Apply correct grammar rules in writing and speaking.
- Recognize and correct grammatical errors in sentences.

Activities:

- 1. **Grammar Games:** Interactive games focusing on parts of speech and sentence structure.
- 2. **Sentence Building:** Use word cards to create sentences and identify parts of speech.
- 3. **Editing Practice:** Worksheets and activities where students correct grammar mistakes in sentences.

- Grammar quizzes on parts of speech and sentence structure.
- Editing tasks where students identify and correct errors.
- Writing samples assessed for correct grammar usage.

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Padam-I [Grade 3]



Objectives:

- Enhance Listening and Comprehension Skills
- Develop Effective Speaking Skills
- Strengthen Reading Fluency and Comprehension
- Improve Writing Structure and Clarity
- Deepen Understanding of Grammar and Syntax

Listening

Objectives:

- Improve active listening skills to understand and summarize information.
- Follow multi-step oral instructions accurately.
- Recognize and interpret the speaker's tone and intent.

Activities:

- 1. **Story Discussions:** Listen to a story or passage and participate in group discussions to summarize and analyze the content.
- 2. **Instructional Activities:** Complete tasks following multi-step oral instructions, such as art projects or science experiments.
- 3. **Listening for Details:** Play games like "20 Questions" or "Simon Says" to practice listening for specific details and instructions.

Assessment:

- Observe and evaluate students' participation in discussions.
- Check for accuracy and completeness in tasks completed based on oral instructions.
- Use listening comprehension worksheets and oral quizzes.

Speaking

Objectives:

- Speak clearly and coherently using appropriate vocabulary.
- Engage in collaborative discussions, building on others' ideas.
- Present information and ideas orally in a structured manner.

- 1. **Oral Presentations:** Prepare and deliver short presentations on various topics.
- 2. **Debates:** Participate in structured debates on age-appropriate issues, practicing respectful disagreement and logical reasoning.

3. **Peer Discussions:** Engage in small group discussions, taking turns to speak and respond to peers' ideas.

Assessment:

- Teacher observation and rubrics to assess clarity, coherence, and engagement during presentations and discussions.
- Peer feedback on presentations and debates.
- Self-assessment checklists to reflect on speaking skills.

Reading

Objectives:

- Develop fluency in reading grade-level texts with appropriate expression.
- Enhance comprehension skills, including identifying main ideas, details, and making inferences.
- Expand vocabulary through reading diverse texts.

Activities:

- 1. **Guided Reading:** Small group reading sessions with the teacher to practice fluency and comprehension strategies.
- 2. **Literature Circles:** Read and discuss books in small groups, focusing on different roles like summarizer, questioner, and predictor.
- 3. **Independent Reading:** Daily independent reading time with a variety of books, followed by journaling or discussion.

Assessment:

- Running records to track reading fluency and accuracy.
- Comprehension quizzes and activities related to the texts read.
- Reading journal entries to assess understanding and engagement.

Writing

Objectives:

- Write narratives, informative texts, and opinion pieces with a clear beginning, middle, and end.
- Use proper grammar, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling.
- Develop writing through the processes of planning, drafting, revising, and editing.

- 1. **Writing Workshops:** Regular sessions where students write, share, and revise their work with guidance from the teacher.
- 2. **Prompt Writing:** Respond to various prompts to practice different types of writing (stories, letters, informational texts).
- 3. **Peer Editing:** Exchange writing pieces with classmates to give and receive feedback for revisions.

- Writing rubrics to evaluate structure, clarity, creativity, and use of conventions.
- Review of writing portfolios that include drafts and final pieces.
- Checklists for self-assessment and peer feedback.

Grammar

Objectives:

- Understand and use parts of speech (nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns).
- Apply correct grammar rules in writing and speaking.
- Identify and correct grammatical errors in sentences and longer texts.

Activities:

- 1. **Grammar Games:** Play interactive games focusing on parts of speech and sentence structure.
- 2. **Sentence Construction:** Use word cards or interactive tools to build and analyze sentences.
- 3. **Editing Practice:** Work on worksheets and activities where students correct grammar mistakes in paragraphs.

- Grammar quizzes on parts of speech, sentence structure, and usage.
- Editing tasks where students identify and correct errors.
- Writing samples assessed for correct grammar usage.

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Padam-II [Grade 4]



Objective:

Enhance Listening and Analytical Skills

- Advance Speaking and Presentation Skills
- Strengthen Reading Comprehension and Critical Thinking
- Refine Writing Skills and Techniques
- Master Advanced Grammar and Usage

Listening

Objectives:

- Enhance active listening skills to comprehend and evaluate spoken information.
- Follow complex, multi-step oral instructions accurately.
- Identify main ideas and supporting details in oral presentations.

Activities:

- 1. **Class Discussions:** Participate in and listen to group discussions on various topics.
- 2. **Instructional Listening:** Complete tasks based on detailed oral instructions, such as science experiments or art projects.
- 3. **Listening Logs:** Keep a log of audio stories or podcasts, summarizing and reflecting on the content.

Assessment:

- Observation of participation and engagement in class discussions.
- Evaluation of task completion based on oral instructions.
- Review of listening logs for understanding and reflection.

Speaking

Objectives:

- Speak clearly and confidently in a variety of settings.
- Use appropriate vocabulary and grammar in spoken presentations.
- Engage in and contribute to collaborative discussions.

- 1. **Oral Presentations:** Prepare and deliver presentations on researched topics.
- 2. **Group Discussions:** Participate in discussions, building on others' ideas and expressing personal viewpoints.

3. **Debate:** Engage in structured debates on age-appropriate issues, practicing respectful disagreement and logical reasoning.

Assessment:

- Rubrics for assessing clarity, coherence, and use of language in presentations.
- Observation and evaluation of contributions during group discussions and debates.
- Peer and self-assessment checklists.

Reading

Objectives:

- Read grade-level texts fluently and with comprehension.
- Analyze texts to identify themes, main ideas, and supporting details.
- Expand vocabulary through diverse reading materials.

Activities:

- 1. **Guided Reading:** Small group sessions focusing on reading comprehension strategies.
- 2. **Literature Circles:** Discuss books in small groups, with each student taking on specific roles such as summarizer, questioner, and connector.
- 3. **Independent Reading:** Daily reading time with a variety of texts, followed by reading response activities.

Assessment:

- Running records to track reading fluency and accuracy.
- Comprehension quizzes and written responses based on texts read.
- Reading journals or response logs to assess understanding and engagement.

Writing

Objectives:

- Write clear and coherent narratives, informative texts, and opinion pieces.
- Use appropriate grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
- Develop writing through the processes of planning, drafting, revising, and editing.

Activities:

- 1. **Writing Workshops:** Regular sessions where students write, share, and revise their work with teacher guidance.
- 2. **Prompt Writing:** Respond to a variety of prompts to practice different types of writing.
- 3. **Peer Review:** Exchange writing pieces with classmates for feedback and revision suggestions.

- Writing rubrics to evaluate organization, clarity, creativity, and use of conventions.
- Review of writing portfolios that include drafts and final pieces.
- Checklists for self-assessment and peer feedback.

Grammar

Objectives:

- Understand and use parts of speech (nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, conjunctions).
- Apply correct grammar rules in writing and speaking.
- Recognize and correct grammatical errors in sentences and longer texts.

Activities:

- 1. **Grammar Games:** Interactive games focusing on parts of speech and sentence structure.
- 2. **Sentence Construction:** Use word cards or digital tools to build and analyze complex sentences.
- 3. **Editing Practice:** Work on worksheets and activities where students correct grammar mistakes in paragraphs.

- Grammar quizzes on parts of speech, sentence structure, and usage.
- Editing tasks where students identify and correct errors.
- Writing samples assessed for correct grammar usage.

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Curriculum

Vaakyam 1 [Class V]

Objectives:

- Develop foundational skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- Foster an appreciation for literature.
- Enhance comprehension and critical thinking abilities.
- Build vocabulary and grammatical understanding.

1. Listening Skills:

Objectives:

- Enhance ability to understand spoken English.
- Improve attention and recall of auditory information.
- Foster enjoyment and engagement through listening activities.

Activities:

- Storytelling Sessions: Listen to age-appropriate stories, followed by discussions.
- Listening Comprehension Exercises: Short passages followed by Q&A sessions.

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- Songs and Rhymes: Learning and singing simple songs and rhymes.
- Dictation: Regular dictation exercises to improve listening and spelling.

Assessment:

- Participation in discussions.
- Accuracy in answering comprehension questions.
- Ability to follow instructions in listening games.

2. Speaking Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop clear and confident oral communication.
- Enhance vocabulary and proper usage of grammar in speech.
- Encourage expressive and creative use of language.

Activities:

- Speeches: Regular sessions where students talk about an item of interest.
- Role-Playing: Enacting simple dialogues and scenarios.
- Debates and Discussions: Guided discussions on familiar topics.
- Declamations: Short presentations on given topics.
- Recitation: Memorization and recitation of poems.

- Clarity and fluency in speaking.
- Use of appropriate vocabulary and grammar.
- Engagement and participation in activities.

3. Reading Skills:

Objectives:

- Improve reading fluency and accuracy.
- Enhance comprehension and analytical skills.
- Foster a love for reading.

Activities:

- Silent Reading: Regular silent reading sessions with a variety of books.
- Reading Aloud: Group and individual reading aloud sessions.
- **Guided Reading:** Small group reading sessions with teacher support.
- Reading Comprehension Exercises: Worksheets and Q&A sessions based on passages.
- Book Reports: Simple reports on books read independently.

Assessment:

- Fluency and accuracy in reading aloud.
- Ability to summarize and discuss read materials.
- Performance on comprehension exercises.

4. Writing Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop coherent and structured writing skills.
- Encourage creativity in written expression.
- Improve spelling, punctuation, and grammar.

Activities:

- Journal Writing: Regular journal entries on various prompts.
- Creative Writing: Short stories, poems, and descriptive writing.
- Letter Writing: Writing informal and formal letters.
- Story Writing: Writing stories and short plays
- Writing Workshops: Peer review and teacher feedback sessions.

Assessment:

- Clarity and organization in writing.
- Correct use of grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
- Creativity and expression in written assignments.

5. Grammar:

Objectives:

- Understand and correctly use grammatical rules.
- Integrate grammar skills into all forms of communication.
- Enhance writing and speaking proficiency through proper grammar usage.

- **Grammar Exercises:** Regular worksheets focusing on parts of speech, sentence structure, and punctuation.
- **Grammar Games:** Interactive activities to reinforce grammatical concepts.
- Sentence Construction: Exercises in forming correct and complex sentences.
- Editing Practice: Peer and self-editing sessions to identify and correct grammatical errors.

6. Literature:

Objectives:

- Introduction to classic and contemporary children's literature.
- Developing an appreciation for different genres and authors.
- Enhancement in understanding of literary elements.

Activities:

- Reading and Discussion of Classics: Age-appropriate classics such as works by Roald Dahl, Enid Blyton, Bankim Chandra Chatterjee, Amish Tripathi, Devdutt Pattanaik, Subhadra Sen Gupta etc.
- Thematic Units: Exploring themes like adventure, friendship, and fantasy through selected texts.
- Author Studies: Learning about the lives and works of various authors.
- **Literary Projects:** Creating projects based on literary works read in class.
- Book Clubs: Small group discussions and activities based on chosen books.

Assessment:

- Participation in discussions and book clubs.
- Completion and quality of literary projects.
- Understanding of themes and literary elements through written and oral responses.

Additional Notes:

- Integration with Other Subjects: Incorporation cross-curricular links where relevant, such as historical contexts of literary works.
- **Use of Technology:** Utilization of educational apps and online resources to enhance learning experiences.
- Parental Involvement: Encouragement to reading at home and involvement of parents in literature-related activities.

This curriculum aims to provide a comprehensive approach to developing key English language skills while fostering a love for reading and literature, with a strong emphasis on Sanatan and Indic culture.

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Curriculum

Vaakyam 2 [Class VI]

Objectives:

- Strengthen advanced skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- Deepen appreciation for a wide range of literature.
- Enhance comprehension, analytical, and critical thinking abilities.
- · Expand vocabulary and grammatical understanding.

1. Listening Skills:

Objectives:

- Improve understanding of spoken English.
- Enhance attention, recall, and engagement.
- Develop critical listening and response skills.

Activities:

- **Storytelling Sessions:** Listen to complex age-appropriate stories, followed by in-depth discussions.
- Listening Comprehension Exercises: Longer passages followed by detailed Q&A sessions.
- Audio Books and Podcasts: Engage with audio books and educational podcasts, followed by group discussions.
- Advanced Dictation: Regular dictation exercises featuring complex sentences and vocabulary.

Assessment:

- Participation in discussions.
- Accuracy in answering comprehension questions.
- Ability to follow complex instructions in listening activities.

2. Speaking Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop articulate and confident oral communication.
- Enhance vocabulary and sophisticated grammar usage in speech.
- Encourage expressive and critical use of language.

Activities:

- Speeches: Regular sessions where students deliver prepared and impromptu speeches on various topics.
- **Role-Playing and Simulations:** Enacting complex dialogues and scenarios.
- Debates and Discussions: Conducting structured debates and discussions on current events and relevant issues.
- Oral Presentations: Detailed presentations on researched topics.
- Poetry Recitation: Memorization and expressive recitation of advanced poems.

Assessment:

- Clarity, fluency, and persuasiveness in speaking.
- Use of advanced vocabulary and grammar.
- Active engagement and quality of participation in activities.

3. Reading Skills:

Objectives:

- Enhance reading fluency, accuracy, and speed.
- Develop higher-order comprehension and analytical skills.
- Foster a lifelong love for reading.

Activities:

- Silent Reading: Regular sessions with a diverse range of books, including challenging texts.
- **Reading Aloud:** Group and individual sessions focusing on expression and intonation.
- **Guided Reading:** Small group reading with in-depth teacher support and discussion.
- Reading Comprehension Exercises: Complex worksheets and Q&A sessions based on longer passages.
- Book Reports: Detailed reports on books read independently, including analysis of themes Fullan, and characters.

Assessment:

- Fluency, accuracy, and expression in reading aloud.
- Ability to analyze and discuss read materials.
- Performance on advanced comprehension exercises.

4. Writing Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop coherent, structured, and nuanced writing skills.
- Encourage creativity and critical thinking in written expression.
- Improve spelling, punctuation, grammar, and stylistic elements.

- Journal Writing: Regular entries with prompts encouraging reflection and critical thinking.
- Creative Writing: Writing short stories, poems, essays, and descriptive pieces.
- Letter Writing: Writing informal and formal letters with emphasis on tone and structure.
- **Research Projects:** Writing detailed reports and essays on researched topics.
- Writing Workshops: Peer review and teacher feedback sessions to refine writing skills.

- Clarity, organization, and depth in writing.
- Correct use of advanced grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
- Creativity and expression in written assignments.

5. Grammar

Objectives:

- Develop a solid understanding of fundamental grammar concepts and rules.
- Enhance the ability to apply grammatical principles accurately in both written and spoken communication.
- Foster an appreciation for the structure and function of the English language.

Activities:

- Grammar Exercises: Engage in exercises covering parts of speech, sentence structure, subject-verb agreement, verb tenses, punctuation, and simple clauses.
- Sentence Construction: Practice constructing sentences with proper grammar to improve writing clarity and coherence.
- Interactive Grammar Games: Participate in games that reinforce grammar concepts in an engaging and enjoyable way.
- Grammar Workshops: Attend workshops focused on specific grammar topics, providing hands-on practice and immediate feedback.
- Peer Review Sessions: Work with classmates to identify and correct grammatical errors in written work, fostering collaborative learning.

Assessment:

- Accuracy in applying grammatical rules in both written assignments and oral presentations.
- Performance in grammar quizzes and tests.
- Demonstrated improvement and understanding through peer feedback and self-correction activities. TURAN

5. Literature:

Objectives:

- Introduction to a broader range of classic and contemporary literature.
- Develop appreciation for different genres, cultures, and authors.
- Enhance understanding of literary elements and critical thinking.

- Reading and Discussion of Classics: Exploring complex classics such as works by Charles Dickens, Mark Twain, Aurobindo Ghosh (Sri Aurobindo), Swami Vivekananda, Anuja Chandramouli, Vineeta Malhotra Taneja etc.
- Thematic Units: In-depth exploration of themes like justice, courage, and identity through selected texts.
- Author Studies: Learning about the lives and works of renowned authors from various cultures.
- Literary Projects: Creating detailed projects based on literary works read in class, including creative reinterpretations.
- Book Clubs: Small group discussions and activities based on advanced chosen books.

- Active participation in discussions and book clubs.
- Quality and depth of literary projects.
- Understanding of themes and literary elements through written and oral responses.

Additional Notes:

- **Integration with Other Subjects:** Incorporation of cross-curricular links, such as historical and cultural contexts of literary works.
- **Use of Technology:** Utilization of educational apps, online resources, and digital storytelling to enhance learning experiences.
- Parental Involvement: Encouragement of reading at home and involvement of parents in literature-related activities.

This curriculum for Class VI aims to further build on foundational English language skills while promoting a deeper appreciation for literature and enhancing critical thinking and analytical abilities with a strong emphasis on Sanatan and Indic culture.

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Curriculum

Kandam 1 [Class VII]

Objectives:

- Further develop advanced skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- Foster a deeper appreciation for diverse literature.
- Enhance critical thinking, analytical, and comprehension abilities.
- Expand and refine vocabulary and grammatical understanding.

1. Listening Skills:

Objectives:

- Improve understanding and interpretation of spoken English.
- Enhance focus, recall, and engagement through advanced listening activities.
- Develop critical listening and evaluative response skills.

Activities:

- **Storytelling Sessions:** Listen to complex age-appropriate stories, followed by in-depth discussions and analyses.
- Listening Comprehension Exercises: Long and complex passages followed by detailed Q&A sessions to test understanding.
- Podcasts and Documentaries: Engage with educational podcasts and documentaries, followed by group discussions.
- Advanced Dictation: Regular dictation exercises featuring complex vocabulary and sentence structures.

Assessment:

- Active participation in discussions.
- Accuracy and depth in answering comprehension questions.
- Ability to follow and interpret complex instructions in listening activities.

2. Speaking Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop articulate, confident, and persuasive oral communication.
- Enhance vocabulary and sophisticated grammatical usage in speech.
- Encourage expressive, creative, and critical use of language.

Activities:

- **Speeches:** Regular sessions where students deliver prepared and impromptu speeches on various advanced topics.
- **Debates and Discussions:** Conducting structured debates and discussions on current events, social issues, and relevant topics.
- Oral Presentations: Detailed and well-researched presentations on diverse topics.
- **Interviews and Panel Discussions:** Conduct interviews and participate in panel discussions, demonstrating effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- Poetry Slam: Perform expressive and emotive recitations of poetry, focusing on rhythm, tone, and interpretation.

Assessment:

- Clarity, fluency, and persuasiveness in speaking.
- Use of advanced vocabulary and grammar.
- Active engagement and quality of participation in speaking activities.

3. Reading Skills:

Objectives:

- Enhance reading fluency, accuracy, and speed.
- Develop higher-order comprehension and analytical skills.
- Foster a lifelong love for reading and critical analysis of texts.

Activities:

- **Reading Aloud:** Group and individual sessions focusing on expression, intonation, and understanding.
- Guided Reading: Small group reading with in-depth teacher support and analysis.
- Reading Comprehension Exercises: Complex worksheets and Q&A sessions based on longer and more intricate passages.
- Literary Analysis: Analyze and interpret complex literary texts, focusing on themes, symbolism, and narrative techniques.
- Critical Reading Exercises: Engage with challenging texts, evaluating arguments, perspectives, and biases.
- **Literature Circles:** Participate in small group discussions, exploring different interpretations and perspectives on literary works.
- **Book Reviews and Literary Essays:** Write critical reviews and analytical essays on assigned readings, supporting arguments with evidence from the text.

- Fluency, accuracy, and expression in reading aloud.
- Performance on advanced comprehension and analytical exercises.
- Depth of comprehension and critical analysis demonstrated in written and oral responses.
- Ability to interpret and evaluate complex literary texts.
- Performance on advanced comprehension and analytical exercises.

4. Writing Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop coherent, structured, and nuanced writing skills.
- Encourage creativity, critical thinking, and detailed expression in writing.
- Improve spelling, punctuation, grammar, and stylistic elements.

Activities:

- **Journal Writing:** Regular entries with prompts that encourage reflection, critical thinking, and personal expression.
- Creative Writing: Writing advanced short stories, poems, essays, and descriptive pieces.
- Research Projects: Writing detailed reports and essays on researched topics, including proper citations.
- **Formal Writing:** Writing formal letters, reports, and essays with emphasis on tone, structure, and coherence.
- Writing Workshops: Peer review and teacher feedback sessions to refine and enhance writing skills.

Assessment:

- Clarity, organization, and depth in writing.
- Correct use of advanced grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
- Creativity, critical thinking, and expression in written assignments.

5. Grammar:

Objectives:

- Develop a comprehensive understanding of advanced grammar concepts and rules.
- Enhance proficiency in applying grammatical principles accurately and effectively in written and spoken communication.
- Foster an appreciation for the nuances of language structure and usage.

Activities:

- **Grammar Exercises:** Engage in a variety of grammar exercises covering topics such as parts of speech, sentence structure, verb tenses, clauses, and phrases.
- **Sentence Analysis:** Analyze and deconstruct sentences from literary texts to identify grammatical structures and patterns.
- **Grammar Games and Quizzes:** Participate in interactive games and quizzes designed to reinforce grammar concepts in a fun and engaging way.
- **Grammar Workshops:** Participate in focused workshops dedicated to specific grammar topics, providing opportunities for hands-on practice and reinforcement.
- **Peer Editing:** Collaborate with peers to edit and revise written work, focusing on grammar errors and suggesting improvements.

- Accuracy in applying grammatical rules in written assignments and spoken communication.
- Performance on grammar exercises, quizzes, and assessments.
- Improvement demonstrated through peer feedback and revision processes.

6. Literature:

Objectives:

- Introduction to a wider range of classic and contemporary literature.
- Develop an appreciation for different genres, cultures, and authors.
- Enhance understanding of literary elements, themes, and critical analysis.

Activities:

- Reading and Discussion of Classics: Exploring complex classics such as works by Jane Austen, George Orwell, Rabindranath Tagore, Veer Savarkar, Radhakrishnan Pillai, Ashwin Sanghi etc.
- **Thematic Units:** In-depth exploration of themes like identity, society, and morality through selected texts.
- Author Studies: Learning about the lives and works of renowned authors from various cultures and historical periods.
- **Literary Projects:** Creating detailed projects based on literary works read in class, including creative reinterpretations and critical analyses.
- **Book Clubs:** Small group discussions and activities based on advanced and diverse chosen books.

Assessment:

- Active participation in discussions and book clubs.
- Quality and depth of literary projects.
- Understanding of themes, literary elements, and critical analysis through written and oral responses.

Additional Notes:

- Integration with Other Subjects: Incorporation of cross-curricular links, such as historical, social, and cultural contexts of literary works.
- **Use of Technology:** Utilization of educational apps, on line resources, and digital storytelling tools to enhance learning experiences.
- Parental Involvement: Encouragement of reading at home and involvement of parents in literature-related activities.

This curriculum for Class VII aims to further build on foundational English language skills while promoting a deeper appreciation for literature and enhancing critical thinking and analytical abilities with a strong emphasis on Sanatan and Indic culture.

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Curriculum

Kandam 2 [Class VIII]

Objectives:

- Continuously refine and enhance advanced skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing.
- Cultivate a sophisticated understanding and appreciation for diverse literature.
- Strengthen critical thinking, analytical, and communication abilities.
- Expand and refine vocabulary and grammatical proficiency.

1. Listening Skills:

Objectives:

- Enhance comprehension and interpretation of spoken English across various contexts.
- Develop active listening, critical evaluation, and response skills.
- Foster engagement and enjoyment through diverse listening activities.

Activities:

- **Listening Comprehension Exercises:** Explore longer and more intricate passages, followed by in-depth discussions and analysis.
- Podcasts and Audiobooks: Listen to a wide range of topics, followed by group discussions and reflective responses.
- Advanced Dictation: Regular dictation exercises featuring sophisticated vocabulary and sentence structures.

Assessment:

- Participation in discussions, demonstrating comprehension and critical engagement.
- Accuracy and depth in answering comprehension questions.
- Ability to analyze and interpret complex auditory information.

2. Speaking Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop articulate, confident, and persuasive oral communication.
- Enhance vocabulary, syntax, and rhetorical skills in speech.
- Encourage expressive, creative, and critical use of language.

- **Debates and Discussions:** Engage in structured debates and discussions on contemporary issues, presenting well-reasoned arguments and rebuttals.
- **Speeches and Oratory:** Deliver prepared and impromptu speeches on diverse topics, incorporating persuasive techniques and rhetorical devices.

- **Drama and Role-Playing:** Enact complex scenes and characters from literature, focusing on character analysis and emotional expression.
- **Interviews and Panel Discussions:** Conduct interviews and participate in panel discussions, demonstrating effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- **Poetry Slam:** Perform expressive and emotive recitations of poetry, focusing on rhythm, tone, and interpretation.

- Clarity, fluency, and persuasiveness in speaking.
- Effective use of advanced vocabulary, syntax, and rhetorical devices.
- Active engagement and quality of participation in speaking activities.

3. Reading Skills:

Objectives:

- Enhance reading fluency, comprehension, and critical analysis.
- Develop the ability to interpret and evaluate diverse literary texts.
- Foster a lifelong love for reading and appreciation of literature.

Activities:

- **Silent Reading:** Explore a wide range of literary genres, including classics, contemporary fiction, non-fiction, and poetry.
- Literary Analysis: Analyze and interpret complex literary texts, focusing on themes, symbolism, and narrative techniques.
- Critical Reading Exercises: Engage with challenging texts, evaluating arguments, perspectives, and biases.
- **Literature Circles:** Participate in small group discussions, exploring different interpretations and perspectives on literary works.
- **Book Reviews and Literary Essays:** Write critical reviews and analytical essays on assigned readings, supporting arguments with evidence from the text.

Assessment:

- Depth of comprehension and critical analysis demonstrated in written and oral responses.
- Ability to interpret and evaluate complex literary texts.
- Performance on advanced comprehension and analytical exercises.

4. Writing Skills:

Objectives:

- Develop advanced skills in writing for different purposes and audiences.
- Encourage creativity, critical thinking, and original expression in writing.
- Refine grammar, syntax, and stylistic elements to enhance clarity and coherence.

- **Narrative Writing:** Craft compelling narratives, focusing on character development, plot structure, and descriptive language.
- **Argumentative Essays:** Construct well-reasoned arguments supported by evidence and counterarguments, addressing complex issues and controversies.

- Research Papers: Conduct independent research on interdisciplinary topics, synthesizing
 information from multiple sources and presenting findings in a structured and coherent
 manner
- Creative Writing Projects: Explore various forms of creative writing, including short stories, poems, plays, and screenplays, experimenting with different styles and techniques.
- Writing Workshops and Peer Review: Participate in peer review sessions to provide constructive feedback and revision strategies, refining writing skills and enhancing the quality of written work.

- Clarity, coherence, and organization demonstrated in written assignments.
- Correct and sophisticated use of grammar, punctuation, and syntax.
- Creativity, originality, and depth of expression in written work.

5. Literature:

Objectives:

- Explore a diverse range of classic and contemporary literature from different cultures and historical periods.
- Develop an understanding of literary movements, genres, and thematic concerns.
- Enhance critical thinking and interpretation skills through close reading and analysis.

Activities:

- **Literary Seminars:** Engage in in-depth discussions and analyses of literary texts, exploring themes, characters, and stylistic elements.
- **Comparative Literature Studies:** Compare and contrast works of literature from different cultural contexts, identifying commonalities and differences in themes, motifs, and narrative techniques.
- Author Studies and Literary Biographies: Investigate the lives and works of significant authors, exploring the socio-historical contexts that shaped their writing.
- **Literary Projects and Presentations:** Create multimedia presentations, posters, and digital projects based on literary works, demonstrating understanding and interpretation through creative expression.
- **Literary Journals and Publications:** Contribute to the creation of a class literary journal or blog, showcasing original creative writing, critical analyses, and reflections on literature.

Assessment:

- Depth of understanding and interpretation demonstrated in written and oral responses.
- Quality and originality of literary projects and presentations.
- Engagement and participation in discussions and collaborative activities.

6. Grammar:

Objectives:

- Develop a thorough understanding of advanced grammatical concepts.
- Apply grammatical knowledge to improve writing and speaking.
- Enhance editing and proofreading skills.

Activities:

- **Grammar Lessons:** Regular lessons on advanced topics such as complex sentences, clauses, verb tenses, punctuation, and syntax.
- Practice Exercises: Worksheets and online exercises to reinforce grammatical concepts.
- **Sentence Reordering:** Analyzing the structure of complex sentences to understand their components and forming meaningful sentences.
- Editing Workshops: Editing sessions to identify and correct grammatical errors in writing.
- **Grammar Games:** Interactive activities and games to make learning grammar engaging and fun.

Assessment:

- Performance in grammar quizzes and tests.
- Application of correct grammar in writing assignments.
- Improvement in editing and proofreading skills as demonstrated in peer review sessions.

Additional Notes:

- Integration with Other Subjects: Foster interdisciplinary connections by exploring literary themes and concepts in conjunction with other subject areas, such as History & Geography (Itihasa & Bhoogola) and science (Vigyanam).
- **Use of Technology**: Utilize digital tools and resources to enhance literary analysis, research, and creative expression, fostering digital literacy skills.
- Parental Involvement: Parents' support solicited in reading and literary exploration at home, providing opportunities for family discussions and shared reading experiences.

This curriculum aims to provide a comprehensive approach to developing key English language skills while fostering a love for reading and literature, with a strong emphasis on Sanatan and Indic culture.