



**Syllabus for Class 12**  
**General English**  
*Punjab School Education Board*

2024-25

GENERAL ENGLISH

Class- XII SYLLABUS

**UNSEEN PASSAGES FOR TESTING READING SKILLS TEXT BOOK****Section A (Lessons for Intensive study)**

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| 1. Hassan's Attendance Problem               | Sudha Murthy                             |
| 2. The March King                            | Katherine Little Bakeless                |
| 3. Thinking Out of the Box: Lateral Thinking | (Adapted from the article from Internet) |
| 4. On Saying 'Please'                        | A. G. Gardiner                           |
| 5. The Story of My Life                      | Helen Keller                             |
| 6. Two Gentlemen of Verona                   | A. J. Cronin                             |
| 7. In Celebration of Being Alive             | Dr. Christian Barnard                    |
| 8. Gadari Babas in Kalapani Jail             | Dr. Harish Puri                          |

**Section B (Poetry)**

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|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1. Prayer of the Woods   | Anonymous     |
| 2. On Friendship         | Khalil Gibran |
| 3. The Echoing Green     | William Blake |
| 4. Once upon a Time      | Gabriel Okara |
| 5. Father Returning home | Dilip Chitre  |
| 6. The Road Not Taken    | Robert Frost  |
| 7. On His Blindness      | John Milton   |

**Section C (Lessons for Extensive study)**

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| 1. The School for Sympathy    | E. V. Lucas    |
| 2. A Chameleon                | Anton Chekhov  |
| 3. Bholi                      | K. A. Abbas    |
| 4. The Gold Frame             | R. K. Luxman   |
| 5. The Barber's Trade Union   | Mulk Raj Anand |
| 6. The Bull beneath the Earth | K. S. Virk     |

**GRAMMAR, COMPOSITION & TRANSLATION****Grammar**

1. Determiners

2. Use of Non-finites (Infinitives, Gerunds, Participles)
3. Transformation of Sentences
4. Voice
5. Narration

### **Composition**

1. Precis writing
2. Letter writing (Official/Business/To Editors)
3. Applications
4. Explaining Newspaper Headlines
5. E-Mail writing

**Translation from English to Hindi/Punjabi and Translation from Hindi/Punjabi to English.**

**(From Chapter 18 The Art of Translation given in the book English Grammar And Composition for XI and XII)**

**Note:-** Following two lessons & one poem have been deleted from the syllabus from academic session 2020-21 onwards.

Robots and People

Isaac Asimov

On Giving Advice

Joseph Addison

Cheerfulness Taught by Reason

Elizabeth Barret Browning

Books prescribed and published by Punjab School Education Board

- 1 A Rainbow of English for 12
- 2 English Grammar and Composition for 11 and 12