

# Syllabus Indicator and Exam Portion

Subject: English

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PHASE 1		
Textbook	Chapter Name	PT1 Portion Total Marks: 40      Duration: 1 Hour 30 Minutes
Literature (Honeydew)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 1. The Best Christmas Present in the World</li> <li>The Ant and the Cricket (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 2. The Tsunami</li> <li>Geography Lesson (Poem)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 1. The Best Christmas Present in the World</li> <li>The Ant and the Cricket (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 2. The Tsunami</li> <li>Geography Lesson (Poem)</li> </ul>
Grammar: New Enjoying Grammar (Orient BlackSwan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 1. The Simple Present and the Present Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 2. The Present Perfect and the Present Perfect Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 3. The Simple Past and the Past Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 4. The Past Perfect and the Past Perfect Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 5. Expressing Future Time</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 1. The Simple Present and the Present Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 2. The Present Perfect and the Present Perfect Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 3. The Simple Past and the Past Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 4. The Past Perfect and the Past Perfect Continuous Tenses</li> <li>Chapter 5. Expressing Future Time</li> </ul>
Composition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing a Character Sketch</li> <li>Narrative Writing</li> <li>Persuasive Writing</li> <li>Informal Letter Writing</li> <li>Recipe Writing</li> <li>Imaginative Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Narrative Writing</li> <li>Informal Letter Writing</li> </ul>
Dialogues Book 8 – Orient BlackSwan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How Do You Do?</li> <li>Who's Who</li> <li>Up-to-Date</li> </ul>	NA

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PHASE 2		
Textbook	Chapter Name	Half-Yearly Examination Portion Total Marks: 80                      Duration: 3 hours
		Geography Lesson (Poem) – from PT1
<b>Literature (Honeydew)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 3. Glimpses of the Past</li> <li><b>Macavity: The Mystery Cat (Poem)*</b></li> <li>Lesson 4. Bepin Choudhury's Lapse of Memory</li> <li>The Last Bargain (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 5. The Summit Within</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geography Lesson (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 3. Glimpses of the Past</li> <li>Lesson 4. Bepin Choudhury's Lapse of Memory</li> <li>The Last Bargain (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 5. The Summit Within</li> </ul>
<b>Grammar: New Enjoying Grammar (Orient BlackSwan)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 6. Modal Auxiliaries</li> <li>Chapter 7. Positions of Adverbs</li> <li>Chapter 8. Finite and Non-Finite Verbs</li> <li>Chapter 9. Infinitives</li> <li>Chapter 10. Gerunds</li> <li>Chapter 11. Participles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 6. Modal Auxiliaries</li> <li>Chapter 7. Positions of Adverbs</li> <li>Chapter 8. Finite and Non-Finite Verbs</li> <li>Chapter 9. Infinitives</li> <li>Chapter 10. Gerunds</li> <li>Chapter 11. Participles</li> </ul>
<b>Composition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter to the Editor</li> <li>Reflective Essay</li> <li>Autobiography Writing</li> <li>Descriptive Writing (Person/ Place)</li> <li>Poetry Writing (Haiku/ Rhyming Couplets)</li> <li>Itinerary Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Letter to the Editor</li> <li>Autobiography Writing</li> <li>Descriptive Writing (Person/ Place)</li> </ul>
<b>Dialogues Book 8 (Orient BlackSwan)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High Notes</li> <li>Log In</li> </ul>	NA

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PHASE 3		
Textbook	Chapter Name	PT2 Portion Total Marks: 40      Duration: 1 Hour 30 Minutes
Literature (Honeydew)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The School Boy (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 6. This is Jody's Fawn</li> <li>Lesson 7. A Visit to Cambridge</li> <li><b>When I set out for Lyonesse (Poem)*</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The School Boy (Poem)</li> <li>Lesson 6. This is Jody's Fawn</li> <li>Lesson 7. A Visit to Cambridge</li> </ul>
Grammar: New Enjoying Grammar (Orient BlackSwan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 12. Subject-Verb Agreement</li> <li>Chapter 13. Active and Passive Voice</li> <li>Chapter 14. Using Nouns and Prepositions</li> <li>Chapter 15. Using Adjectives and Prepositions</li> <li>Chapter 16. Prepositional Verbs and Phrasal Verbs</li> <li>Chapter 17. Noun Clauses</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 12. Subject-Verb Agreement</li> <li>Chapter 13. Active and Passive Voice</li> <li>Chapter 14. Using Nouns and Prepositions</li> <li>Chapter 15. Using Adjectives and Prepositions</li> <li>Chapter 16. Prepositional Verbs and Phrasal Verbs</li> <li>Chapter 17. Noun Clauses</li> </ul>
Composition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dialogue Writing</li> <li>Diary Writing</li> <li>Summary Writing</li> <li>Interview Writing</li> <li>Speech Writing</li> <li>Writing a Book Review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dialogue Writing</li> <li>Diary Writing</li> </ul>
Dialogues Book 8 (Orient BlackSwan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Roots to Shoots</li> <li>On Your Mark...</li> <li>Back in Time</li> <li>To Boldly Go</li> </ul>	NA



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PHASE 4		
Textbook	Chapter Name	Yearly Examination Portion Total Marks: 80      Duration: 3 hours
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Literature</b> - Chapter 1. The Best Christmas Present in the World, The Ant and the Cricket (Poem), Chapter 2. The Tsunami, Lesson 7. A Visit to Cambridge - from PT2</li> <li><b>Grammar</b> - Chapter 6. Modal Auxiliaries, Chapter 8. Finite and Non-Finite Verbs, Chapter 11. Participles are included from Half-yearly Examination portion</li> <li><b>Composition</b> - Autobiography Writing included from PT1 portion</li> </ul>
<b>Literature (Honeydew)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 8. A Short Monsoon Diary</li> <li>On the Grasshopper and Cricket (Poem)</li> <li><b>Lesson 9. The Great Stone Face – I*</b></li> <li><b>Lesson 10. The Great Stone Face – II*</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesson 7. A Visit to Cambridge</li> <li>Lesson 8. A Short Monsoon Diary</li> <li>On the Grasshopper and Cricket (Poem)</li> </ul>
<b>Grammar: New Enjoying Grammar (Orient BlackSwan)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 18. Relative Clauses</li> <li>Chapter 19. Reduced Relative Clauses</li> <li>Chapter 20. Adverbial Clauses</li> <li>Chapter 21. Conditionals</li> <li>Chapter 22. Direct and Indirect Speech</li> <li>Chapter 23. Sentence Linkers</li> <li>Chapter 24. Punctuation 1</li> <li>Chapter 25. Punctuation 2</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter 18. Relative Clauses</li> <li>Chapter 19. Reduced Relative Clauses</li> <li>Chapter 20. Adverbial Clauses</li> <li>Chapter 21. Conditionals</li> <li>Chapter 22. Direct and Indirect Speech</li> <li>Chapter 23. Sentence Linkers</li> <li>Chapter 24. Punctuation 1</li> <li>Chapter 25. Punctuation 2</li> </ul>
<b>Composition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Story Writing</li> <li>Writing messages on Twitter/ Instagram</li> <li>Formal Letter Writing (Complaint)</li> <li>Argumentative Writing</li> <li>Editing a Text</li> <li>Report Writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Story Writing</li> <li>Formal Letter Writing (Complaint)</li> <li>Argumentative Writing</li> </ul>
<b>Dialogues Book 8 (Orient BlackSwan)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reaching Out</li> <li>Bookspeak</li> <li>For the People</li> </ul>	NA
Dictionary skills, related vocabulary and idioms, spelling, antonyms, punctuation, rhyming words and rhyme scheme, suffixes/prefixes, figures of speech (Simile, metaphor, personification) Imagery, tone, mood, , fixed expressions, phrasal verbs, word stress, connotations, collocations, compound words, archaic words, adjectives associated with animals (like canine, feline), American and British usages, same words as different parts of speech, historic present <b>(Any of these may be asked for exam)</b>		

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**\*Topics excluded/dropped by the CBSE from the Syllabus hence these topics are not to be assessed.**

- Macavity: The Mystery Cat (Poem)
- When I set out for Lyonnesse (Poem)
- Lesson 9. The Great Stone Face - I
- Lesson 10. The Great Stone Face – II