

**2025-26**  
**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. Ghadari Babas in Kalapani Jail   | Dr. Harish K. 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   |

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| 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)**

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