Basic Level English Curriculum (Grades 6-8)

1. Introduction

English is a major international language, one of the six official languages of the United Nations and the means of international communication. It is taught from Primary Level to Secondary Level as one of the compulsory subjects. Besides Nepali language, English can also be used as a medium of instruction in all schools as per the provision made by the Education Regulations.

The National Education Policy Commission (1992) laid a great emphasis on the regular updating and improvement of school Curricula; hence this revision is the result of this on-going process.

Teaching English in schools has two main purposes. Firstly, to enable pupils to exchange ideas with people of any nationality who speak or write English. Secondly, to expose them to the vast treasures of knowledge and pleasure available in both printed and electronic forms. Some of the important features of this revised curriculum are as follows:

- 1. The four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing are carefully graded and sequenced.
- 2. Common language competencies are set for basic level.
- 3. Language functions are presented with the emphasis on using them for communication.
- 4. Additional materials are sought for extensive practice.
- 5. Subject matters to practice the language skills are prescribed from broader spectrum.
- 6. Students' evaluation is expected to be based on the objectives of language skills outlined in the curriculum.
- 7. A provision is made for alternative tests items for differently abled students.

This curriculum presents core competencies for the basic level. The learning outcomes are derived from the core competencies for all grades and presented in sequential order. These learning outcomes are categorized under language skills in gradual progression. A separate list of language functions for each grade has been presented with examples.

The next part presents the elaboration matrix which mainly focuses on the language functions. It provides possible teaching technique, teaching materials as well as student assessment procedure. Being a competency based curriculum, it anticipates that the assessment be based on the learners' performance. The skills are divided into four areas listening, speaking, reading and writing, although in practice it is impossible to isolate them in this way. Listening can be followed by speaking or writing, just as writing may follow listening or reading. Whatever may be the order all language learning aspects are to be practised in compliance with the needs of the learners.

2. Competency:

English being an academic language course should help students of this level gain competency at grammatical, discourse, sociolinguistic and strategic level. Hence, the following competencies have been derived from the above mentioned areas.

- 1. Listen and comprehend spoken English in a variety of personal, social and academic contexts.
- 2. Communicate in spoken English in a variety of personal, social and academic contexts
- 3. Comprehend written English in personal, social and academic contexts.
- 4. Communicate in written English in a variety of personal, social and academic contexts.
- 5. Develop skills and competencies to use English as a medium for further studies and a tool for obtaining information and enjoyment
- 6. Learn to think creatively and critically to develop the language skills by promoting tolerance, inclusiveness and socio-cultural harmony

3. Grade wise learning outcomes

3.1 Listening skill

S.N.	Six	Seven	Eight
1	Listen and carry out a short and simple set of instructions.	Listen and carry out instructions commonly used in both school and social environment.	Listen and respond appropriately to multistep directions/instructions.
2	Listen and distinguish minimal pairs	Listen and distinguish between similar words and sentences. Listen and identify/guess the topic of oral presentation through verbal responses.	Listen and distinguish between similar words and sentences.
3	Listen to short dialogue/simple text from teacher/ electronic media and discuss it.	Listen to short dialogues and other text from teacher or electronic media and extract information.	Listen to short texts/news items from the teacher/ electronic media and put down main ideas in note form
4	Listen to a simple oral presentation/story and demonstrate comprehension through verbal/non-verbal response	Listen to spoken information and transfer it to complete chart or table.	Listen to spoken materials and transfer information to complete a chart, table, etc.
5	Listen to a formal or informal text and do various types of listening comprehension exercises	Listen to a formal or informal text and do various types of listening comprehension exercises	Listen to a text and respond to varieties of exercises.
6		Respond to common queries about personal and immediate surroundings.	Listen, understand and reproduce dialogues with correct stress and intonation
7		Listen and identify/guess the topic of oral presentation through verbal responses	Listen and identify the topic and main points of oral presentation

3.2 Speaking skill

S.N.	Six	Seven	Eight
1	Communicate verbally or nonverbally mainly at home and school environment.	Respond to a stranger about immediate surroundings (school, home, market, etc)	Communicate formally or informally according to the situation
2	Receive/make phone call in informal situations	Receive/make phone call in informal situations	Receive/make phone call in formal and informal situations
3	Describe a picture, cartoon or object orally	Interpret a chart, map or table orally	Describe pictures, cartoons, maps, charts and posters orally
4	Use simple words/phrases to ask/respond to questions	Make and respond to queries politely	Participate in debate or oratory contests/activities
5	Speak with correct stress and intonation, especially for questions and statements.	Narrate simple story or event/experience with correct stress and intonation	Describe a sequence of actions or events orally with appropriate mood and expression
6	Engage in short dialogues/ group discussions.	Engage in dialogues/ group discussions	Engage in group discussion to solve a particular problem or come to a decision
7	Retell short stories	Retell stories, information and events using simple sentences	Speak with coherence and fluency to convey ideas

3.3 Reading skill

S.N.	Six	Seven	Eight	
1	Read public notices or	Use clues and	Read and scan	
	instructions and follow	illustration to	important facts/ideas	
	them	understand the man	from a variety of	
		idea of the reading	reading texts (written,	
		materials	printed, electronic)	
2	Read silently and make notes of	Read a passage silently with understanding	Read informative texts and show understanding	
	important information from the text.	(simple structures only)	by retrieving important facts and ideas	

3	Guess the meaning of unfamiliar words by its position and context	Guess meanings of words by position in sentence, context or similarity to other words.	Guess the meanings of unfamiliar words while reading
4	Develop basic skills to use a monolingual dictionary	Enhance skills to use monolingual English dictionary.	Enhance skills to use monolingual dictionary and thesaurus
5	Understand simple timetables, labels, charts, graphs, simple notices, price-lists, maps, tickets	Figure out pictures, cartoons, charts, diagrams and extract information from them	Understand information/ facts presented in diagrammatic form like chart/cartoon, and sort out the main information
6	Follow simple written instructions correctly.	Follow written instructions and procedures correctly.	Follow multistep instructions and procedures correctly.
7	Read text and transfer information (reading comprehension activities)	Read and comprehend electronic texts (emails, short messages, webmaterials)	Read and predict the possible consequences of the remaining part of a text or story
8	Read and enjoy poems, short stories in printed as well as electronic form	Enjoy simple literary texts including poems, picture stories, short essays and short plays.	Comprehend (enjoy) simple literary texts including poem, drama, essay and story.

3.4 Writing skill

S.N.	Six	Seven	Eight
1	Use punctuation marks (capital letters, full stops, question, exclamation)	Use correct layout, full stops, capitals, commas, apostrophes and inverted commas	Write short paragraphs on given topics with correct layout and punctuation marks
2	Fill up a form (admission forms)	Fill up an official form with the necessary information	Fill up an official form with the information sought by it
3	Write a short request, invitation or thank-you-note to a friend.	Write 'thank you letters' post card and short personal letter with correct layout	Write personal letter/ thank you letter and letter of apology
4	Write short dialogues.	Write short dialogues	Write longer dialogues
5	Write simple directions	Write simple instructions and double-step directions	Prepare a short news report on a given topic/event
6	Describe a picture/ real object using 'and', 'but', 'because'	Describe a person, picture or event in two short paragraphs using various connectives	Develop a short story with the help of clues provided
7	Describe a short sequence of events or actions.	Create paragraphs with the help of guidelines provided.	Prepare curriculum vitae
8	Write /design posters	Design posters/ advertisements	Prepare simple leaflet/posters about village/town, etc.
9	Revise or edit one's own writing with pair/teacher support.	Revise or edit one's own writing with pair/teacher support.	Revise or edit one's own writing with pair/teacher support.
10			Transfer information from charts and table to paragraph and vice versa

4. Scope and sequence

4.1Grade 6

S.N.	Language functions	Language /Grammar	Est. Period
1	Greeting, introducing and	Hello, I'm Gopal. Pleased to meet you,	5
	leave taking.	see you on bye!	
2	Apologising	I'm very sorry. Sorry. Excuse me.	5
3	Expressing surprise or	Oh! No! Oh dear! Have you ever seen	10
	dismay	such a big lion? Oh! He has come!	
4	Identifying people, places	Which book do you need?	15
	and objects	Who is the girl with long hair?	
		That's the new teacher. The blue one,	
		please.	
5	Describing	It is small. The table looks nice. She is	15
	narrating/comparing	taller than me.	
		He's the oldest. It's the highest	
		mountain in the world.	
6	Narrating events (simple	The girls said, ""	15
	past, direct speech),	It was raining when I came yesterday.	
	describing habits	We play volleyball on Fridays.	
		The man climbed the tree.	
7	Asking questions	Is it Sunday today? Do you need a pen?	10
		Are you sure?	
		Do you prefer tea or coffee? Did you	
		see it?	
		Can you come? When did you arrive?	
		Why did he go? What are you looking	
		for?	
8	Answering questions	Yes, I do. No, he can't. I bought a book	10
		and a pen.	
		I 'm sorry, I don't like coffee. No, it	
		isn't.	
9	Expressing ability	Can you touch the ceiling? No, I can't.	10
		Can you break this stick? Yes, I can.	
10	Expressing likes and	Would you like a glass of milk? I'm	10
	dislikes	afraid, I don't like milk. Do you like	
		mangoes? Yes, I do.	
11	Expressing possession	Whose book is this? It's mine. It isn't	5
		Ram's.	

12	Asking and giving permission/expressing obligation	May I borrow your book, please? Yes, you may. We should be quiet. You ought to go home.	15
13	Requesting and replying politely	Would you open the door, please? Can I borrow your book? Open the door, please. Of course. Could you show me the picture, please? Certainly.	10
14	Predicting	It is going to rain. The situation is going to be tense.	5
15	Stating intention with reason	I'm not going to play today, because I'm tired. I will do it today because I won't be free tomorrow.	10
16	Drawing inferences degrees of probability	He must be ill. It may/might rain today. I might go tomorrow.	10
17	Inviting and suggesting (with suitable replies)	Would you like to come in? Shall we play volleyball? Come in. Sit down. Yes, let's. Why don't we go out?	10
18	Expressing good wishes	Have a good time. Well done! Congratulations! Good luck!	5

4.2 Grade 7

S.N.	Language functions	Language /Grammar	Est.
			Periods
1	Formal greetings,	May I introduce you to Mr. X? Nice to	5
	introducing and leave	meet you. How do you do? Good bye,	
	taking	it was a pleasure to meet you.	
2	Identifying people,	The man reading the paper is my	10
	places and objects	brother.	
		The book with the hard cover is mine.	
		The boy wearing blue shirt is my	
		cousin.	
		The lady riding the horse is my aunt.	
3	Asking question,	You are leaving tomorrow, aren't you?	10
	seeking confirmation,	Its holiday tomorrow, isn't it?	
	asking for information	He lives there, doesn't he?	
		We must go, mustn't we?	
		How long/wide/high/often?	
		Where are you from? How far is	
		Pokhara from Nepalgunj?	

4	Expressing ability/ inability with reasons	Last year, I couldn't swim, but now I can because I have got a training. I know how to type. I 'm sorry, I couldn't come because I was busy. I couldn't pass the exam because I didn't work hard enough.	5
5	Expressing wants and needs	Do you want a new pencil? Yes, please. Excuse me; I want to speak to the headmaster. He wanted to buy a football. I need something to eat.	5
6	Expressing possession	The dog's tail. The back of the car. It belongs to me.	5
7	Asking for and giving permission and expressing obligation	Will you let me stay till tomorrow? You may stay but you mustn't talk. You have to finish by four o'clock. He had to leave early. Must I do every thing? You ought to work hard. I should go now.	10
8	Comparing	It's like a river, but smaller. It isn't as big as a house. It is the biggest of all.	10
9	Requesting and replying politely	Would you mind closing the window, please? Could you possibly come tomorrow? Please help me to lift this. Certainly/Sure. I think that will be possible. I'm afraid, I'm too busy.	10
10	Predicting	It's going to rain. You might be late.	5
11	Stating intention	I'm working late tonight.	5
12	Expressing degrees of probability	Perhaps he's ill. May be he can't come. I'll definitely do it. I certainly won't forget. I'll probably come.	5

13	Making suggestions, giving advice and replying	How about playing chess? Why can't we play football? Would you like to look at the photos? You should stay at home. Why don't you stay in bed? That would be great! I think I will. What a good idea! Thank you but I'd prefer to go for a walk.	15
14	Inviting and replying	Would you like to come with us? I'm having a party, can you come? Thank you that would be great. I'm very sorry. I'm going to my uncle's house.	10
15	Sating purpose	I came to see you. He went to see a doctor.	10
16	Expressing wishes	I wish I had a bicycle.	5
17	Instructing	Press the button on the right. Turn the knob. Don't forget to close the door.	10
18	Describing positions	It's at the back of the room. (at the front of, in the middle of, to the left of, inside, out side)	10
19	Measuring height, weight and distance	How tall is the tree? It's about twenty meters high (wide, deep, long). It's very heavy. It's about 30 kg. How far is Pokhara? It is 200 km. It isn't far. It takes 4 hours by car.	10
20	Expressing preference	I'll have either. I like neither tea nor coffee. I don't like either. I prefer rotis. I'd rather play badminton.	5
21	Narrating events	While I was coming to school, I saw a mongoose. I was reading when the light went out.	15

4.3 Grade 8

S.N.	Function	Language	Est P.
1	Asking formally for	Excuse me; I wonder if you could tell	5
	information	me the way to the post office.	
2	Asking for a repeat of	Excuse me. I beg your pardon. Sorry.	5
	information	Could you please say it again?	
3	Asking for and giving	Would you mind if I open the window?	10
	permission, expressing	Am I allowed to borrow a book?	
	obligation	You should come on time. I ought to go	
		now.	
4	Requesting and replying	Can you give me a hand please?	5
•	Requesting and replying	I'm sorry; I have to go out right now.	
		Can you please tell me how to solve this	
		problem? Sure.	
5	Identifying people,	The man who was waiting here has	10
	places and objects	gone.	
		This is the house which I bought last	
		year.	
		The book that I need is on the shelf.	
6	Inviting and replying	How about coming for meal tomorrow?	10
		I wonder if you are free on Saturday?	
		Thank you very much but I'm afraid	
		that I need to finish my homework.	10
7	Getting things done	Can you make the radio work?	10
		She made Gopal stay in. I got/had my	
8	Domontino.	food prepared.	10
8	Reporting	He said that he wanted to go. He told her to sit down.	10
		She asked me if I was tired. He asked	
		me where I was going.	
9	Describing people,	The children in red uniform are waiting	15
	places, objects and	for the bus.	
	actions	I've visited Chandan Nath temple twice.	
		This is the place where I was born.	
		They are doing karate in the Dhangadi	
		covered hall.	

10	Expressing conditions	If you go there, you can see Mt. Makalu.	10
		If the temperature falls, the plants will die.	
		As soon as the bell rings, you can go.	
		If I were the headmaster, I'd make the	
		school a model.	
11	Comparing	Mt. Everest is the highest mountain in the	5
		world.	
		Ahmad is much taller than his brother.	
		Radhika is nearly as beautiful as Ramita.	
12	Expressing degree of	Certainly, may be, perhaps	5
	probability		
13	Expressing condolences	I'm sorry that you were ill yesterday.	5
		I'm sorry to hear that your mother	
		expired. Hard luck!	
14	Expressing likes/dislikes	What would you like to do?	10
		Would you prefer to swim or play	
		volleyball?	
		I'd like to play volleyball.	
		Are you interested in watching TV?	
15	Stating	You must be feeling hungry! I'm off to	10
	intention/predicting	work.	
		I'm planning to visit Butwal next week.	
16	Persuading and	Do come. Don't forget to write!	10
	reminding	Remember to come next week.	
17	Describing habits	I used to eat rice but now I eat noodles.	10
18	Expressing ability	I can speak English. I was able to buy a	10
		ticket.	
19	Giving reasons	I came late because it was raining.	10
		I came by taxi in order to save time.	
20	Answering in brief	I hope so. I hope not. So do I. I expect so.	10
		Not often.	
		Sometimes. Never. Occasionally. Always.	

5 Learning facilitation process

5.1 Learning principles:

- a) Learning should be student centered focusing on individual abilities.
- b) Measures should be adopted to make classroom activities inclusive.
- c) Pair work and individual participation should be well facilitated.

- d) Use of mother tongue in the classroom should be minimized as far as possible. To avoid the use of mother tongue, gestures, games, pictures and role-playing should be used.
- e) Listening and speaking practice/tasks should be followed by written tasks and not the vice versa.
- f) Spelling and punctuation marks should be considered equally as important as grammar.
- g) Information-gap activities in a recycled pattern should be organized to avoid drill and rote memorization. (read and match, picture description, elicitation from pictures, listen and write, read and say)
- h) Classroom activities should encourage integrated skill activities.
- i) Task based activities should be encouraged to gain language competency
- j) Multimedia should be utilized as far as possible.
- k) There will be approximately 175 periods each of 45 minutes; however the number of periods can be altered to adjust the needs by keeping strictly within the boundary of 131.25 hours.

5.2 Learning techniques:

- a) Use of pictures cues in conducting classroom activities
- b) Use of language games, puzzles and chants
- c) Use of pictures/graphs/guidelines/clues for production and use of multi-media
- d) Opportunity for creativity and competition
- e) Creative activities to reinforce language learning
- f) Assign project work to enhance language competency

5.3 Classroom activities:

The following classroom activities should be adapted for developing language skills:

- a) Answering questions orally
- b) Story telling/retelling
- c) Role play

- d) Demonstration
- e) Pair work/project work
- f) Group discussion/presentation
- g) Reading aloud/silent reading
- h) Completing sentences
- i) Filling the blanks in a cloze exercise
- j) Matching, copying into answer books
- k) Answering comprehension questions
- 1) Matching meanings with words
- m) Dictation
- n) Finding the odd one out
- o) Following instructions
- p) Language games
- q) Answering questions
- r) Describing a given picture
- s) Parallel writing
- t) Listen and carry out different activities

5.4 Learning resources:

Each student must have a textbook. Each teacher should consult/refer to the Teacher's Guide. Schools should have access to the audio cassette/CD developed by CDC for listening practice. Provision of additional reading materials, computers and multi-media projector will enhance and motivate pupils' learning. Use of visual aids like flashcards, pictures and the chalk board should be a part and parcel of teaching.

6. Assessment:

For grades six and seven, there will be a terminal (summative) examination covering 60% and the remaining 40% will be done through Continuous Assessment System. CAS should be done on the basis of classroom participation, class/unit tests, use of expressions learnt in the class, project work, etc. This will take place in both formal and informal modes. The whole assessment procedures of these two grades will be based on teacher made tests. The practice of listening and speaking and its assessment should take place on regular basis. It is assumed that out of 25% practical test, 15% is

allotted for terminal test and remaining 10 % is given for CAS. The teachers are given full responsibility to give due focus on designing the type and number of questions for listening and speaking skills.

Assessment is considered as an integral part of learning for grade 8, too. However, there will be a final terminal test as per the provision made in the table of specification. Oral comprehension tests as well as dictation will also be used in addition to the usual exercises provided in the textbook. The use of pictures will prove to be highly motivating and reliable for composition work (describing persons, places, things, objects and actions, etc.) both for discussion, dictation and finally for writing. Serious attention should be given to differently abled students by designing assessment tools to such students.

6.1 Assessing listening and speaking:

Listening and speaking should be assessed by using language games, oral activities like discussion, interviews as well as activity sheets and supervising students' pair work and group work.

6.2 Assessing reading and writing:

Reading aloud as well as silent reading should be assessed. Reading aloud should be assessed in order to measure students' pronunciation, rising and falling tones (statements, questions, etc.) and with correct stress pattern achieved by the end of Grade Eight. Written work should be assessed as per the written exercises in the textbooks. Spelling mistakes and punctuation mistakes should be carefully considered and necessary corrections should be done.

6.3 District level examination:

There will be a district level examination at the end of Grade Eight in which 25% mark is allocated to listening and speaking skills and 75% mark is allocated to reading and writing skills. For differently abled students, alternative questions can be asked depending on the condition of the students. Candidates should obtain pass marks (40%) separately for both listening/speaking and reading/writing to pass the examination.

6.4 Table of Specifications

Listening (10)	Speaking (15)	Reading (40)	Writing (35)
Question Types:	Question Types:	Question Types:	Question Types
1. Multiple	1.Interview- 5 M	a. Short-answer	1. Guided writing 2x5 =
Choice	2. Describing,	questions	10 Marks
2. Fill in the gaps	persons, pictures,	b. Ordering	Ask any two questions.
3. True/False	, charts, a	c. True/False	Interpreting charts and
4. Tick the	sequence of	d. Matching	diagrams, dialogues,
correct	events or retelling	e. Multiple choice	biographies, news stories,
answers	a story- 10 marks	g. Fill in the blanks	curriculum vitae, leaflet
5. Ordering	Materials:	1. Two seen texts	2. Free writing 1x15=15
Materials:	Questions for	(10+10)20 Marks	Marks
1.Cassette/Monit	interview,	2. Two unseen texts	Personal letter or letter of
ors' voice	pictures, maps,	(10+10) = 20 Marks	apology, essay: (150
2. Pictures, maps,	diagrams, etc.	Note: Short-answer	words)
diagrams, etc.	Note:	questions can be asked	3. Grammar 10 marks
Note: The	The monitor/	from both seen and	Tense, preposition,
monitor plays	teacher requires to	unseen texts.	articles, relative clauses,
listening text and	relate the	However, the other	voice, reflexive pronouns,
provides any 2	language	types of questions	reported speech, subject
types of questions	functions while	should not be repeated.	verb agreement, question
mentioned above	assessing	Vocabulary items can	tag and connectives.
each carrying 5	students' speaking	also be asked in	Type of questions:
marks	performance	matching, fill in types.	Fill in the gaps, Multiple
			choice, transformation
			There will be 10 questions
			each carrying 1 mark.

Note: Test items for grades 6 & 7 too, can be made on the basis of this table and later convert from 100 % to 60%.

7. Elaboration matrix

7.1Grade Six

S · N	Language functions	Language /Grammar	Topics	Activities	Evaluation	Per- iod
1	Greeting, introducing and leave taking.	Hello, I'm Gopal. Pleased to meet you, see you on	Introducing friends Visiting new places First day in school	Group work Pair work Comparing pictures Writing	Listen to a text and show their understanding by: performing actions,	5

2	Apologising	I'm very sorry. Sorry. Excuse me.	Job description Being late for the meeting At home, school, travelling	Role play Comparing pictures Pair work Group work	Drawing pictures Writing T/F Matching items Fill in the blanks Completing charts Completing a	5
3	Expressing surprise or dismay	Oh! No!, Oh dear! Have you ever seen a lion? Oh! He has come!	At a party Visiting a new place	Pair work Role play Oral question answer	dialogue of speech bubble Oral and written	10
4	Identifying people, places and objects	Which book do you need? Who is the girl with long hair? That's the new teacher. The blue, one please.	At a shop In a museum Guessing objects	Pictorial presentation Group work Role play Read and write	Oral and written comprehension	15
5	Describing narrating/comparing	It is small. The table looks nice. She is taller than me He's the oldest. It's the highest mountain in the world.	Descriptive presentation of people, place and things Visiting a factory	Pair work Letter writing Comparing the picture	Informal simple conversation in the classroom	15
6	Narrating events (simple past, direct speech), describing habits	The girls said, "" It was raining when I came yesterday. We play volley ball on Fridays. The man climbed the tree.	Describing events Reporting about accident Daily routine of a student	Pair work Pair work	Individual/group interview Describing picture, object and event	15

7	Asking questions	Is it Sunday today? Do you need a pen? Are you sure? Do you prefer tea or coffee? Did you see it? Can you come? When did you arrive? Why did he go? What are you looking for?	Visit report Festivals At public place (bus stop, airport, teashop)	Pair work Pair work Project work	Listen and respond Listen to his/her pair reading followed by written exercises	10
8	Answering (Yes/no, short/long answer, affirmative / negative)	Yes, I do. NO, He can't. I bought a book and a pen. I 'm sorry, I didn't like coffee. No, it isn't. Yes I did.	In the classroom Description of a person, place or object	Pair work Role play Listen and write Pictorial description Project work	Student will be given seen/ unseen reading texts which may include stories, advertiseme-nts, newspaper articles and will asked to do the suitable activities to show their understanding	10
9	Expressing ability	Can you touch the ceiling? No, I can't. Can you break this stick? Yes, I can.	Conversation between a tourist and a guide Sports Kitchen	Pair work Group work Discussion	MCQ, TF, Completing charts, cloze, short answers.	10

10	Expressing likes and dislikes	Would you like a glass of milk? I'm afraid, I don't like ilk. Do you like mangoes? Yes, I do.	Arranging a picnic Parents day/sports day	Role play Letter writing Game like activities Comparing pictures	Asking questions Answering Listening task: Completing a specific task based on chart of given cues	10
11	Expressing possession	Whose book is this? It's mine. It isn't Ram's.	In a village At the shop School	Role plays Group work Question and answer	Students will be given the task to cover the objectives of language skills	5
12	Asking and giving permission /expressin g obligation	May I borrow your book, please? Yes, you may. We should be quiet. You ought to go home.	In a library At the hospital, School events Traffic rules	Conversation Group work Role play Report writing	Letter writing Paragraph writing (small paragraphs about things, places and persons)	15
13	Requesting and replying	Would you open the door, please? Can I borrow your book? Open the door, please. Of course. Could you show me the picture, please?	With friends Households duties On a bus At the airport	Role play Pair work Games showing chain of activities	Describing pictures Some grammatical items in multiple choice form.	10

14	Predicting (going to future)	It is going to rain. The situation is going to be tense.	Going shopping Description of a place/ picture	Guided writing Group work Pair work	Parallel writing Guessing games Constructing sentences	5
15	Stating intention/r eason	I'm not going to play today, because I'm tired. I will do it today because I won't be free tomorrow.	On a farm Journey Sports	Group work Pair work Role play Discussion	Oral/written exercises Conversation	10
16	Drawing inferences degrees of probability	He must be ill. It may/might rain today. I might go tomorrow.	Arranging a party Sightseeing Exam preparation	Listen to the text and do the activity Group work Guessing games	Written comprehension Filling up the gaps using 'may','might', etc	10
17	Inviting and suggesting (with suitable replies)	Would you like to come in? Shall we play volley ball? Come in. Sit down. Yes, let's. Why don't we go out?	At a dinner party School rules Household function	Role play Question answer Group work	Dramatization Questioning and answering	10
18	Expressing good wishes	Have a good time. Well done! Congratulati ons! Good luck!	Prize distribution day Parents day Birthday party	Role play Question answer Group work	Drafting greeting cards Dramatization	5

S.	Language functions	Language /Grammar	Topics	Activities	Evaluation	Peri- od
N. 1	Formal greetings, introducing and leave taking	May I introduce you to Mr. X? How do you do? Good bye, it was a pleasure to	First day in school Meeting a new friend	Role play Asking & answering Completing incomplete dialogue	Completing incomplete dialogue Matching	5
2	Identifying people, places and objects	meet you. The man reading the paper is my brother. The book with the hard cover is mine. The boy wearing blue shirt is my cousin.	In the library A journey, travel A visit to temple	Reading Completing incomplete sentences Pair work	Completing incomplete sentences Answering questions orally as well as in written form	10
3	Asking question, seeking confirmation , seeking confirmation to a supposition, asking for information	You are leaving tomorrow, aren't you? Its holiday tomorrow, isn't it? He lives there, doesn't he? We must go, mustn't we? How long/wide/hig h/often? How far is Pokhara from Nepalgunj?	A day before dashain At the bus station At the wedding party	Question/ answer Completing sentences Constructing sentences Eliciting Matching sentences Question tags	Written activities: answering questions Listening comprehension activities	10

4	Asking with alternatives / reasons	Sorry, I can't. But I can come on Sunday. No, thank you. I would like some fruit. Sorry I can't because I am not free.	Waiting for a bus At the market	Constructing sentences from a substitution table	Constructing sentences from a substitution table Oral exercises	5
5	Expressing ability with reasons	Last year I couldn't swim, but now I can. I know how to type. I 'm sorry, I couldn't come because I was busy. I couldn't pass the exam because I didn't work hard enough.	Sports Drama (expressing ability through different characters) Reports	Reading comprehensi on Asking and Answering questions	Written/oral work Answering questions Listening comprehension activities	5

6	Expressing wants and needs	Do you want a new pencil? Yes, please. Excuse me; I want to speak to the headmaster. He wanted to buy a football. I need something to eat.	Biography of a social worker/teache r, leader, etc Essays	Pair work Reading comprehensi on	Written/oral work Answering questions Listening comprehension activities	5
7	Asking for and giving permission and expressing obligation	Will you let me stay till tomorrow? You may stay but you mustn't talk. You have to finish by four o'clock. He had to leave early. Must I do every thing? You ought to work hard. I should go now.	A festival A social event	Group work Reading Developing a small paragraphs Language games Project work	Written/oral work Answering questions Listening comprehension activities	10

8	Comparing	It's like a river, but smaller. It isn't as big as a house. It is the biggest of all.	Seasons of the year A passage with different pictures	Group work: reading/ writing Describing a pictures	Developing paragraphs Listening comprehension activities	10
9	Requesting and replying politely	Would you mind closing the window, please? Could you possibly come tomorrow? Please help me to lift this. Certainly/sur e No I'm afraid not, because I'm busy.	At the headmaster's desk At the school canteen At the hospital	Reading and writing Completing incomplete sentences Matching	Developing a short dialogue with 6 exchanges Completing an incomplete dialogue	10
10	Predicting	It's going to rain. You might be late.	Going on a picnic Trekking	Elicitation Guessing Pair/individu al work	Sentence construction on the given structure	5
11	Stating intention	I'm working late tonight.	Writing a diary	Elicitation Guessing Pair/individu al work	Cloze exercises Substitution table Paragraph writing	5

12	Expressing degrees of probability	Perhaps he's ill. May be he can't come. I'll definitely do it. I certainly won't forget. I'll probably come.	Swimming Plane crash Disappearanc e of wild animals Accident	Reading Writing	Comprehension questions	5
13	Making suggestions, giving advice and replying	How about playing chess? Why can't we play football? Would you like to look at the photos? You should stay at home. Why don't you stay in bed? I think I will. What a good idea!	Sports day School day Mountaineeri ng	Role play on dialogues Essay competition	Questions answers Observation on students' performance during role play Listening comprehension activities	15
14	Inviting and replying	Would you like to come with us? I'm having a party, can you come? Thank you that would be great. I'm very sorry. I 'm afraid I 'm busy.	Celebrations Father's day Mother's day Birthday Anniversary Family get together.	Practice on drafting invitation letters Composing telephone dialogues	Writing competition Observing students' performance	10
15	Sating purpose	I came to see you. He went to see a doctor.	At the zoo At any offices/ organization	Writing and enacting dialogues	Elicitation Guessing Pair/individual work	10

16	Expressing wishes	I wish I had a bicycle.	A poem An essay	Developing sentences to paragraphs	Sentence constructions	5
17	Instructing	Press the button on the right. Turn the knob. Don't forge to close the door.	Leaflet on doing/prepari ng something	Role play Group work Individual work	Observation on students' performance	10
18	Describing positions	It's at the back of the room. (at the front of, in the middle of, to the left of, inside, out side)	tourists visit	Reading Writing Group work Project work	Observation on students' performance	10
19	Measuring height, weight and distance	How tall is the tree? It's about twenty meters high (wide, deep, long). It's very heavy. It's about 30 kg. How far is Pokhara? It is 200 km. It isn't far. It takes 4 hours by car.	Geographical description of a place Bhimsen Stambha	Reading comprehensi on Role play Developing dialogue in groups	Oral /written answers Observation on students' performance	10
20	Expressing preference	I'll have either; I like neither tea nor coffee. I don't like either. I prefer rotis. I'd rather play badminton.	A visit to a restaurant	Reading Role play Developing dialogue in groups	Oral /written answers Observation on students' performance	5
21	Narrating events	While I was coming to school, I saw a mongoose. I was reading when the light went out.	A narrative story An experience	Reading Narrating Oral games Ordering Chain story	Skeleton story Reading comprehension activities	15

7.3 Grade 8

S.N.	Function	Language/gr ammar	Topics	Activities	Evaluation	peri- od
1	Asking formally for information	Excuse me; I wonder if you could tell me the way to the post office.	The post office Visiting a new place	Role play Field visit Group work	Observation on students' performance	5
2	Asking for a repeat of information	Excuse me. I beg your pardon. Could you please say it again?	Telephone conversation Extract of drama	Role play	Observation on students' performance	5
3	Asking for and giving permission, expressing obligation	Would you mind if I open the window? Am I allowed to borrow a book? You have got to come now. I ought to go now.	A visit to a zoo/library/ science exhibition hall	Demonstratio n and discussion		10
4	Requesting and replying	Can you give me a hand please? I'm sorry but I have to go out. Can you tell me how to solve this problem?	At bus park/ supermarket In classroom	Pair work Problem solving Role play	Observation on students' performance	5

5	Identifying people, places and objects	The man who was waiting here has gone. This is the house which I bought last year. The book that I need is on the shelf.	A national hero A famous place A laptop, computer, etc	Reading comprehensi on Question answer Substitution table	Written tasks for reading comprehension Observation for spoken skills And exercises for listening comprehension	10
6	Inviting and replying	How about coming for meal tomorrow? I wonder if you are free on Saturday. Thank you very much but I'm afraid that I need to finish my homework.	Festivals Social celebration	Reading comprehensi on Question answer Substitution table	For reading comprehension: Short question Matching Fill in the space True false MCQs	10
7	Getting things done	Can you make the radio work? She made Gopal stay in. I got/had my food prepared.	Profession (mechanics, plumber, electrician, tailor, etc)	Group work Project work Role play Grammar exercise	Observation on students' performance	10

8	Reporting	He said that he wanted to go. He told her to sit down. She asked me if I was tired. He asked me	News report/story Radio report Hostel rules	Group work Project work Role play Grammar exercise	Written tasks for reading Observation for spoken skills And exercises for listening	10
9	Describing	where I was going. The children	Sports	Group work	For reading	15
	people, places, objects and actions	in red uniform are waiting for the bus. I've visited Chandan Nath temple twice.	persons Literary personality Famous place	Project work Role play Grammar exercise	comprehension: short question Matching Fill in the space True falseMCQ	
10	Expressing conditions	If you go there, you can see Mt. Makalu. If the temperature falls the plants will die.When the bell rings, you can go.	Health population and environment	Project work Group work Writing activities	Observation on students' performance	10
11	Comparing	Mt. Everest is the highest mountain in the world. Ahmad is much taller than his brother. Radhika is nearly as beautiful as Ramita.	A story of two brothers/sister s Tourism Mountaineeri ng	Group work Project work Role play Grammar exercise	Written tasks for reading Observation for spoken skills And exercises for listening comprehension	5

12	Expressing degree of probability	Certainly, may be, perhaps	Debate on a current issues	Reading comprehensi on Sentence	Observation on students' performance	5
	probability	pernaps		construction	performance	
13	Expressing condolences	I'm sorry that you were ill yesterday. I'm sorry to hear that your mother died. Hard luck!	Accident, death, Air crash	Reading newspaper, Group work Practice on writing condolence	Observation on students' performance	5
14	Expressing likes/dislikes	What would you like to do? Would you prefer to swim or play volleyball? I'd like to play volleyball.	Me and my friend Hobby Games/sports	Debate contest Writing practice	Observation on students' performance	10
15	Stating intention/pr edicting	You must be feeling hungry! I'm planning to visit Butwal next week. I'm off to work.	Weather forecasting Travelling	Reading Writing	Writing tasks Reading comprehension	10

16	Persuading and reminding	Do come. Don't forget to write! Remember to come next week.	Counseling My grandfather	Speaking on a particular issues Role play	Observing the way of speaking: pronunciation, tone	10
17	Describing habits	I used to eat rice but now I eat noodles.	My childhood Changing society	Reading comprehensi on Writing paragraphs	Comprehension questions	10
18	Expressing ability	I can speak English. I was able to buy a ticket.	Tourism in Nepal Playing musical instrument	Reading Writing Oratory contest Games	Performance in language games Written tasks	10
19	Giving reasons	I came late because it was raining. I came by taxi in order to save time.	Village or town Science or culture An experience	Debate competition	Observation on students' performance	10
20	Answering in brief	I hope so. I hope not. So do I. I expect so. Not often. Sometimes. Never, Always. Occasionally.	At a hotel/ Restaurant	Role play Simulation Reading	Observation on students' performance	10