



LANGUAGE LABORATORY

Department of English

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE LAB – REPORT (June 2019- February 2020)

The significance of the language laboratory has been much felt in the domain of communication in our College curriculum. It is required of any learner to have a good command of the language for communication purposes, with clarity and accuracy being vital for effective and efficient communication. What helps one to acquire such proficiency in a language is the process and the method of learning that language. Our Language Lab abets students in practicing and assessing their communication skills effectively. Hence, the Lab functions from 8.30 am to 6.45 pm on ALL working days, where ALL the first year Under Graduate students are **Taught, Trained** and **Tested** in the most essential SKILLS – LISTENING, SPEAKING, READING and WRITING.

The objective of English Language Lab is to develop the language skills of the students with the help of the computer to teach language. There are THREE Labs with 120 computers in all to accommodate 120 students all at a time, and 03 control units to instruct and monitor the students. An additional lab with 30 terminals was established this year to house more students. All the labs function in the air conditioned environment. The language course materials are already fed into the computer and are displayed according to the features available in the system. The computers in the Language Lab are also connected to the Internet and at times it transforms into **Web Assisted Language Laboratory**. The electronic devices used in the laboratory stimulate the eyes and ears of the learner to acquire the language quickly and easily. The laboratory's collection is designed to assist learners in the acquisition and maintenance of aural comprehension, oral and written proficiency, and cultural awareness. The language laboratory is very useful for assessing students' speech. It provides students with the technical tools to get the best samples of pronunciation of the language. Hence, the English Language Lab is made mandatory for all the first year UG students as part of their Part II English programme. Students

attend the Language Lab class once a week in one of the Part II classes scheduled for them. At the end of each semester, they are subjected to aural, oral and written tests and undergo evaluation processes where the marks they secure are included in the CIA of the Part II paper.

List of Total Strength of the Student Takers of the Language Lab Course for 2019 – 2020 is given below:

Shifts		No. of Departments	No. of classes	No. of Students
DAY	Aided - 10	19	27	0546
	Shift-I -14			1045
	B. Voc.	2	2	95
EVENING	Shift-II	16	32	11739
Total		37	61	3425

The following are the Soft wares used in the Pedagogy of Learning the Language through Technology:

- **Snetclass** – Monitoring student’s computers, transferring files (documents, pictures, videos), and accessing language software applications (2017 Onwards)
- **Clarity English Success** – LSRW (Listening, Speaking, Reading and Writing) Pronunciation and Grammar (2017 Onwards)
- **Author Plus** – Soft Skills and Personality Development (2017 Onwards)
- **Study Skills Success** – IELTS (2019 Onwards)
- **Tense Busters** – Grammar Exercises (2019 Onwards)

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES: 2019 – 2020

1. A Five Day Workshop on “Communication Skills”, Venue: Computer Aided Language Laboratory (CALL) , Date: 20 June 2019 to 24June 2019.

A five-day workshop/training program on “Communication Skills” was organized by the Language Lab for the 3rd year under graduate students of the Department of English from 20 June 2019 to 24June 2019.



Communication is the act of conveying meanings from one person or group to another through the use of mutually understood signs and symbols. The English language, specifically, has urged the students to learn the art of communication who are career oriented. English language learning has along these lines acquired an unquestionable requirement for any Indian understudy today. The Language Lab of Bishop Heber College opened its door to train the students of 2nd & 3rd Undergraduate English Students of Bishop Heber College from 20 June 2019 to 24June 2019.

Students here acquired the needed skills like listening, speaking, reading and writing for communicating in English language. Students underwent hands on training with live activities. 64 students of the second year programme and 77 students from third year improvised their language proficiency. They also learnt as to how English for



Communication is the need of the hour and how as students of literature should address the specific issues in communication and overcome the barriers in communication.

**2. Training Program on “English for Communication and Specific Purposes” – Phase 3
Venue: Computer Aided Language Laboratory (CALL), Date: 21 October – 24 October
2019**

A four-day workshop/training program on “English for Communication and Specific Purposes” was organized by the Language Lab for the Nursing Students of the CSI General Mission Hospital, Trichy from 21 October 2019 to 24 October 2019.

An orientation on the purpose of the workshop was given on how English for Specific Purposes focuses on communication skill in specific situations in one’s respective occupation. This is a field specific training on communication skills to the students of nursing to enhance their professional competence in contextualized situations. The students were made to analyze their vocabulary, and communication ability for better productivity, job performance and develop self-confidence.

Thirteen (13) Nursing students had hands on experience with the module designed for the workshop. Staff members of the Language Lab facilitated the learning of the participants.

3. Five Day Training Program on English Language for Everyday Use and Effective Communication for the students of CSI Good News ITI, Puthur, Trichy from 28 January 2020 to 01 February 2020.

Good communication skills are indispensable for the success of any professional. The English language, in particular, has become essential in the lives of young people who aspire to advance their careers anywhere in the world. English language learning has therefore become a requisite for any Indian student today. The Language Lab of Bishop Heber College opened its door to train the students of CSI Good News ITI from 28 January 2020 to 01 February 2020.



Students acquired the gradations of facets involved in both different kinds of communication and the English language and were trained in listening, speaking, reading and writing skills. The inauguration program was held on the 28 January 2020. Mr.Prasath, Assistant Professor of English

welcomed the gathering, Rev. D. Sakaria Kirubakaran, Correspondent, CSI Good News Press, Trichy was invited for the Program. Since Rev. Sakaria Kirubakaran couldn't attend the program, Rev. Iniyah Joshua, Presbyter of St. John's Church, Trichy graced the occasion and delivered the Presidential address and emphasized the need for honing Technical English skills for workplace communication. Dr. S. Sobana, Head, Department of English,



Bishop Heber College followed by Er. S. Janet Devakruba, Principal, CSI Good News ITI offered felicitations. Dr. K.Shanthi, Coordinator, Language Lab delivered the vote of thanks.

Students underwent hands on training with live activities on three distinct phases of approach: Behavioristic, Communicative and Integrative. Sixteen students of the first year program and eighteen students from second year improvised their language proficiency. These students were systematically tested and evaluated in order to assess their learning.
