# SYMBIOSIS COLLEGE OF ARTS & COMMERCE

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#### COURSE TITLE

# Compulsory English – We and Our World – SEM 1

### **Course Learning Outcomes:**

#### On successful completion of the module students will be able to:

- 1. Express themselves effectively in a variety of forms by getting acquainted with basic literary forms, like poems, essays, and short stories.
- 2. Identify, analyze, interpret and describe the individual ideas, cultural themes, and core human values that appear in literary and cultural texts and understand the way these ideas, values, and themes inform and impact culture and society, both now and in the past.
- 3. Apply critical and theoretical approaches to the reading and analysis of literary and cultural texts in multiple genres.
- 4. Write analytically in a variety of formats, including essays, research papers, reflective writing, and critical reviews of secondary sources.

	This is a core course common for Arts & Commerce students. It forms a part of the first	
	year academic curriculum with the purpose of introducing the students to the world of	
Gist of	literature. The module is customized and is specially designed after careful selection of	
this course	texts written by writers from around the world. Some texts are works of translations from	
in	various languages while others were written originally in English. Substantial issues and	
maximum	topics of Individual, local, national and international relevance have been discussed here	
3 to 4 lines	through their representation in various literary texts. The course precludes to impose one	
	sided opinion on students. It rather presents each topic from all possible narrative points-	
	of-view, with an aim to inculcate individual understandings in the students.	

## Detailed syllabus

Unit	CONTENTS OF THE COURSE	No. of Lectur es
1.	Youth & Freedom	
	a) Why I am an Atheist? – Bhagat Singh	
	b) The Bet – Anton Chekhov	
	c) Invictus – William Ernest Henley	
	d) Love Across the Salt Desert – K.N. Daruwalla	
	e) Imagine – John Lennon	
2.	Gender	
	a) The Exercise Book – Rabindranath Tagore	
	b) Hearts and Crosses- O. Henry	
	c) Why I want a Wife? – Judy Brady	
	d) Yashodhara – Hira Bansode	
	e) Chudala – Devdatta Pattanaik	
3.	Environment	
	a) The World is too much with Us – William Wordsworth	
	b) How Wealth Accumulates and Men Decay – G.B. Shaw	
	c) Ecology – Ramanujan	
	d) The Felling of the Banyan Tree – Dilip Chitre	
	Total Number of Lectures	54