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“Do thy duty don't expect the consequence”

You have a right to perform your prescribed duty, but you are not entitled to the fruits of action. Never consider yourself the cause of the results of your activities, and never be attached to not doing your duty.

— Quote from Bhagavad Gita 2.47.

The Lord Krishna advised that Arjuna not be inactive, but that he performs his duty without being attached to the result. One who is attached to the result of his work is also the cause of the action. Thus he is the enjoyer or sufferer of the result of such actions.

The haves should not suppress, depress, oppress and repress the have nots.

Preface

I, Sri. N. Ramalingam M.A., M.Ed., the author of this manual more than three decades experience as English Language Teacher have a huge store of practical English grammar knowledge proceed to pendown English grammar, Vocabulary and Phonetics in this, bearing in mind the need of the hour for the teachers and pupils of secondary, higher secondary and collegiate level.

The book is designed to give practical help and advice not only to the students but also to those who wish to improve their skill in writing and communication. Special emphasis has been laid on all the units, principles adopted to answer the exercises have been simplified and necessary illustrations have been given. Grammar learning is just like mathematics learning. Both of them need certain Rules and Formulae respectively.

The author appeals to all teachers and taught themselves to enrich their language uuage. While they are benefitted with the gems found in this manual may explain the importance of having this manual to their neighbours and naturally both the author and the learner are mutually benefitted.

The chief aim of writing this book is to avoid the difficulties in learning grammar.

The salient features of this book are:

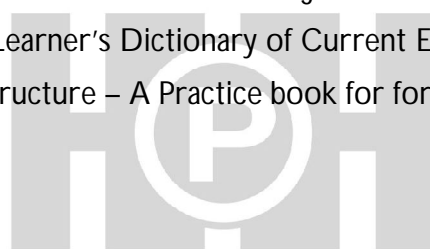
- ✓ Ample examples with more exercises.
- ✓ All the exercises are classified and graded.
- ✓ In addition to the grammar the followings are given:
 - ☛ One word and another word
 - ☛ Homographs
 - ☛ Homophones
 - ☛ Phonetics
 - ☛ Non-metric Measures
 - ☛ Greetings and Salutations
 - ☛ Air-travel Etiquette

- ☛ Ranks in the Armed Forces
- ☛ Telephoning Manners
- ☛ Relationships
- ☛ Work and Jobs

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Following books are taken for reference,

- ✓ Grammar Book by P.C. Wren and Martin
- ✓ A Practical English Grammar by A.J. Thomson and A.V. Martinet
- ✓ A Remedial English Grammar for Foreign Students by Fredrick T. Wood
- ✓ The Advanced Learner's Dictionary of Current English by A.S. Hornby
- ✓ Living English Structure – A Practice book for foreign students by W. Stannard Allen



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Appreciation

The author, Sri. N. Ramalingam M.A., M.Ed. of the book Grammar for All – reflects his zeal and enthusiasm in each and every petal of the inflorescence, the Book and expresses the Grammar like Degrees of Comparison, Active and Passive, Direct and Indirect, Phrases and Clauses, Simple, Compound and Complex Sentences referring the Wren and Martin and abridging the F.T. Wood's work. He has also stated the phonetics in a simple and in the way of DANIEL JONES and A.S. HORN BY. "Grammar for All" is really worth reading by all teachers and pupils who are inseparable like the petals in an inflorescence, enrich and enjoy themselves which make the readers as Grammarians, Phoneticians and men of wide vocabularies.

The enjoyment of every petal makes themselves to become grammarians, conversation and dialogue writers and simple story writers. They know grammar without spending much time and using their class work-books.

'As you sow so you reap'

As per the above proverb you must read each and every page and by sowing the good seeds – the reader may begin to comment and converse and can write good story, dialogue and letter writing.

So each and everybody must have the - Inflorescence - the book and must go through it to learn grammar.

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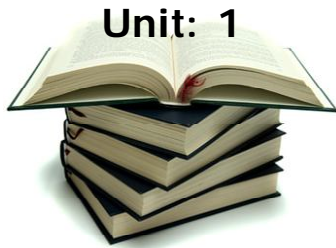
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Abbreviations

Sth	-	Something
Sb	-	Somebody
V	-	Verb
V.t.	-	Verb transitive
V.i.	-	Verb intransitive
O	-	Object
S	-	Subject
Sing.	-	Singular
Pl	-	Plural
Esp.	-	Especially
Pre.	-	Preposition
Adj.	-	Adjective
Adv.	-	Adverb
M-cl	-	Main clause
Sub-cl	-	Subordinate clause
N	-	Noun
P.N.	-	Pronoun
j.w.	-	Joining Word
Conj.	-	Conjunction
Int.	-	Interjection
I.O.	-	Indirect Object
D.O.	-	Direct Object
n (u)	-	Uncountable noun
n (c)	-	Countable noun



Unit: 1

Parts of Speech

Words are divided into different kinds or classes, called parts of speech, according to their use, that is according to the work they do in a sentence. They are eight in number.

- Noun
- Pronoun
- Adjective
- Verb
- Adverb
- Preposition
- Conjunction
- Interjection



Noun

A noun is a word used as the name of a person, place or thing, as:

- **Ashoka** was a great king
- **Mumbai** is a commercial city
- **Rose** smells sweet
- The **sun** rises in the East
- Her **courage** won her honour

Name of a Person	Name of a Place	Name of a Thing
Ashoka	Kolkata	Table
Rama	School	Chair
Sita	Temple	Pen
Tom	Church	Rose
Karim	Mosque	Cap

Note: The word thing includes;

1. All objects that we can see, hear, taste, touch or smell
2. Something that we can think of but cannot perceive by the senses

Pronoun

A Pronoun is a word used instead of a noun, as;

- Radha is absent because she is not well
P.N
- The books are where you left them
P.N
- The sun appears small because it is faraway
P.N

Adjective

An adjective is a word used to add something to the meaning of a noun, as:

- Smitha is a beautiful girl
Adj.
- Mercury is a small planet
Adj.
- Riyadh airport is one of the biggest airports in the world
Adj.

Verb

A verb is a word used to say something about some person, place or thing as,

- Kamala is a doctor
V
- Jawaharlal Nehru wrote a letter to his daughter, Indira
V
- Sachin has been playing cricket since 1989
V

Adverb

An adverb is a word used to add something to the meaning of a verb, adjective or another adverb, as;

- Ranjith ran quickly
V Adv.
- The flower is very beautiful
Adv. Adj.

- He wrote the answers quite correctly
Adj. Adv.

Preposition

A preposition is a word used with a noun or a pronoun to show how the person or thing denoted by the noun or pronoun stands in relation to something else, as;

- The girl is fond of music
Pre.
- She is looking at the picture
Pre.
- He is going to Pune from Chennai
Pre. Pre.

Conjunction

A conjunction is a word used to join words or sentences, as;

- Sachin and Vinod are friends
Conj.
- The team played well but lost the match
Conj.
- You must practice well or you will not win the prize
Conj.

Interjection

An interjection is a word which expresses some sudden feeling, as;

- Hurrah! We won the match
Int.
- Alas! His mother is dead
Int.

