

MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY
SYLLABI FOR COMMON COURSES - UG PROGRAMMES

2017 ADMISSIONS ONWARDS

COURSE 6 – Illuminations

Course Code	EN4CC06
Title of the course	Illuminations
Semester in which the course is to be taught	4
No. of credits	4
No. of contact hours	90

AIM OF THE COURSE

To acquaint the learners with different forms of inspiring and motivating literature.

OUTLINE OF THE COURSE

At the end of the course, the student shall be able to:

1. maintain a positive attitude to life.
2. evaluate and overcome setbacks based on the insights that these texts provide.

COURSE OUTLINE

Module 1 [Life Sketches] (18 hours)

Helen Keller: Three Days to See
Jesse Owens: My Greatest Olympic Prize
Dominic Lapierre: Mother Teresa

Module 2 [Essays] (18 hours)

Lafcadio Hearn: On Reading
Stephen Leacock: Are the Rich Happy?
A.G. Gardiner: On Courage

Module 3 [Speeches] (18 hours)

J. K. Rowling: The fringe benefits of failure and the importance of imagination
Malala Yousafzai: Nobel Lecture

Module 4 [Short Stories] (18 hours)

Oscar Wilde: The Nightingale and the Rose
George Orwell: The Miser

John Galsworthy: Quality

Paolo Coelho: The Beggar and the Baker

Module 5 [Poems]

(18 hours)

William Ernest Henley: Invictus

Robert Frost: The Road Not Taken

Kahlil Gibran: Of Good and Evil

Joyce Kilmer: Trees

Core Text: *Illuminations*