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The Upskilling Academy

Grade 1

Initial - Speech & Drama

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Telling a Narrative	* Characters & setting * Types of Characters * Story Sequencing through beginning, middle and end * Story narration	Narrating a fun incident at school.	6
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Voice Artistry 101	* Voice Modulation Techniques * Difference between reading and delivering * Falling and rising intonation. * Voicing Characters	Fictional Story Telling	6
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Creative Expression & Body Language	* Introduction to Pantomimes * Non-verbal cues to express effectively * Facial expressions and Gestures * Miming with objects and stories	Creating a short pantomime on my day	6
Module 4	Writing	Creating a story (Horror)	* Genres in stories * Elements of a Spooky story * Point of View (POV) in storytelling * Techniques to enhance story writing	Creating a short spooky story	5
Module 5	Writing	Mapping out Instructions	* Writing short simple instructions. * Structure of writing instructions * Use of command verbs * Use of joining words to ensure the flow of speech.	Creating a cook-book	5

Grade 2

Level 1 - Speech & Drama

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Public Speaking (Motivational)	* Types of public speaking * Using motivation in public speaking * Techniques of Speech Delivery * Non-verbal cues of Speech Delivery	Memorize and narrate a Motivational Speech	6
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Drama 101	* Elements of drama * Differences in monologues and dialogues * Vocal Elements of intonation, pacing and body language * Performing a Monologues	Performing a short monologue	6
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Performing Poetry!	* Difference between Prose and poetry * Tools of poetry * Analysing Poems * Implement appropriate gestures and expressions when reciting a poem	Performing a poetry of their choice.	6
Module 5	Writing	The Art of Informing	* Types of informational writing * Parts of non-fictional essays * Differentiating opinions and facts * Organising information logically and sequentially	An information essay on a product of their choice.	5
Module 4	Writing	Humour in Comics	* Introduction to the world of Comics * Elements of a Comic story * Writing dialogue for characters * Creating art for a comic	Creating a one page adventure comic	6

Grade 3

Level 1 - Speech & Drama

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Public Speaking (Non-Fictional Event)	* Differentiate fiction & non-fiction. * Skills and techniques for effective Public Speaking * Key elements of speech * Tone, intonation and expression in speech delivery	Speech Delivery - 'An Interesting Event With Family'..	5
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Dramatics : FolkTales	* Drama and Tales * Character analysis and enactment of characters * Monologue and Improvs in Drama * Dialogue Delivery and Stage Presence	Performing a scene from a folktale.	6
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Performing Lit 101	* Art of Storytelling * Descriptive Speech and its Characteristics * Describe and narrate stories from a reference * Showcase imagination and creativity in basic storytelling skills	Invent & Tell a Story based on a Picture	6
Module 4	Writing	Rhythm & Rhyme	* Types of poetry - limericks, clerihew & visual * Key elements of Poem and its uses * Enhancing poetry with the right vocabulary * Common poetic devices and its use in creative expression	Writing a short poem	5
Module 5	Writing	Evolving Adventures	* Elements of an adventure/action genre story * Identify narrative voice and point of views * Creating captivating characters * Analyse the use of literary devices in writing stories	Creating a story in the adventure genre.	6

Grade 4

Level 2 - Speech & Drama

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Dramatics: Myths & Legends	* Analysing Myths and Legends in stories * Elements of drama and scripts * Basics of acting and paralanguage * Analyze characters for better performance	Recreating a myth/legend	6
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Advertisements 101	*Introduction to Advertisements * Explore different Types of advertising - print, radio and digital * Creating Ad campaigns * Use of language and expression to drive a product to its target audience.	Creating an advertisement campaign for a product of choice	6
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Critiquing - Fiction	* Introduction to movies and genres. * Compare and contrast between books and movies * Learn critiquing techniques * Present a movie review	Presenting a film critique!	5
Module 4	Writing	Being a Blogger	* Types of blogs * Researching and writing blogs which garner interest * Techniques to connect with readers * Editing and enhancing techniques for blogging	Crafting and presenting your own Blog	6
Module 5	Speaking & Listening	NewsCast!	* Understanding what makes certain events newsworthy. * Role of journalists and sourcing information * Difference between opinions and Facts * Drafting news report	Presenting an opinion piece	5

Grade 5

Level 2 - Speech & Drama

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Impromptu Speaking	* Basics of extempore and its importance * Extempore in real life. * Structuring thoughts and cohesive thinking * Frameworks of Impromptu Speech and its uses	Impromptu Speech.	6
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Voice Artistry 102	* Introduction to Voice acting * Elements of Voice acting * Voicing Character * Techniques to enhance Vocal skills of articulation and enunciation	Dubbing of favorite animated character.	6
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Performing Lit 102	* Public Speaking - Powerful and Influential Speaking * Exploring famous speeches * Conduct a Speech Analysis * Proficiently deliver a speech	Presenting a speech by a significant real-life figure.	5
Module 4	Speaking & Listening	Critiquing - Non-Fiction	* Elements of Non fictional texts - interviews, conversation and documentaries. * Types of documentaries * Analysing documentaries * Crtitquing documentaries	Presenting a documentary analysis.	5
Module 5	Writing	Sci-fi Story Arcs	* Differentiate stories and scripts * Elements of a script * Freytag's Pyramid and its need * Elements of of effective narrative	Craft scripts in the science fiction genre.	6

Grade 6

Level 4 - Comm Skills

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Pantomimes and Monologues	* Introduction to Improv and LACE (listen, accept, commit and expand.) * Creating a short, coherent story * Pantomimes as a performing art * Monologues in depth.	Perform a Monologue	7
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Debating 101	* Debates and debating Styles * Creating arguments using evidence and reason * Construct effective rebuttals * Apply effective debating techniques	Participating in a debate.	7
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	All things Film	* Cinema and its elements * Analysis of a script * Dialogue delivery and character performance * Auditioning for a role	Auditioning for a favorite movie role	7
Module 4	Speaking & Listening	Radio Broadcasting	* Fundamentals of radio broadcasting. * Elements for writing effective radio scripts. * Skills and techniques to conduct interviews and voice clarity for broadcasting. * Planning and preparing for quality radio content.	Presenting a Radio Show	7

Grade 7

Level 5 - Comm Skills

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Parliamentary Debating	* Basics of debating and it's formats. * Parliamentary style of debating. * Emoting an argument presentation. * Using close and open-ended questions to have coherent debates.	Participating in a parliamentary debate	7
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	PodCasts	* Introduction to podcasts and the different kinds of podcasts * Tools and elements of podcast * Scriptwriting for podcasts * Delivery of a podcast	Creating your own podcast	7
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Pitch Presentation	* Analysing social issues around the world * Know about social activists and the cause they represent * Elements and impact of making a pitch for a cause. * Presenting a pitch for a social cause	Pitching for a cause close to your heart!	7
Module 4	Writing	Stories in Novels	* Elements of a novel * Learning about characters and character profiles * Conflicts and its use in stories * Writing an extended narrative	Present your written novel	7

Grade 8

Level 6 - Comm Skills

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	Moot Talk	* Introduction to social and political issues of the world. * Using Credible sources to form an argument * Using issue, claim, evidence and reasoning to form arguments * Active listening and accountability in debate.	Delivering a public address	7
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	Advertising 102	* Advertising and its various mediums * Decoding and deconstruction of an advertisement * Persuasive techniques to determine effectiveness in an ad. * Critiquing an advertisemnet	Performing a critique of an advert	7
Module 3	Writing	The World of Comics	* Diversity within comic genres and the role of comics * Develop skills in comic art and illustration. * Effective storytelling techniques * Writing scripts for short comics and engaging in collaborative comic creation.	Collaborative Comic Creation	7
Module 4	Speaking & Listening	Journalism	* Introduction to Journalism and its types * Authenticity and newsworthiness of a news piece * Learning the art of interviewing * Structuring a News report	Presenting a news piece	7

Grade 9

Level 7 - Comm Skills

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Speaking & Listening	MUN	* MUNs - its origin and format * Group discussion in the MUN format. * Resolutions and drafting resolutions * Understanding tact and learning how to use diplomacy.	Preparing for an MUN.	10
Module 2	Speaking & Listening	TED Talk	* Purpose and impact of TED Talks * Crafting engaging openings and closing statements * Rehearsal strategies to refine TED Talks * Deliver a final TED presentations to an audience.	Presenting a TED talk	9
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Telling your own Story	* Structured Thinking and Articulation * Direct and Guide conversation flows. * Explore careers and the basics of interviews * Preparing for mock interviews	Cracking interviews	9

Grade 10

Level 7 - Comm Skills

Module No.	Skill	Module Name	Topics	Capstone Project	No. of Lessons per Module
Module 1	Writing	Business Communication	* Formal forms of business communications * Understanding Audience and Purpose * Drafting different types of business communications * Enhance writing and editing techniques	Drafting different forms of business communication	12
Module 2	Writing	Mastering Summaries	Understanding the importance of summarizing and explaining pieces in short. Understand the various strategies and methods used to summarize. Identifying which methods are best used in which situations. Learning how to condense quickly and on the spot through frameworks.	Condensing various types of communication on the spot!	4
Module 3	Speaking & Listening	Mastery in Speech	* Structure and components of Speech * Purpose and intent of speeches for various occasions * Valedictorian and Salutatorian Speech Structures * Vocal Variety and Non verbal communication	Delivering a valedictorian Speech	8