

Dept. of English Organised Essay Writing Competition on Independence Day

Department of English, under the inspiring guidance of Dr. Amandeep Heera, Principal, and with the support of Prof. Ritu Singh, Head, Deptt. of English, of Babbar Akali Memorial Khalsa College, Garhshankar brings an *Essay Writing Competition* on the powerful theme:

□ “True Freedom: The India We Want to Build” □

Students of All Streams are Invited.

Deptt. of English Organised an FDP on “Harnessing AI Tools: A Step towards Strategic Teaching Approach”

Dept. of English organised an Online National Faculty Development Program on “Harnessing AI Tools: A Step towards Strategic Teaching Approach”, in collaboration with NLD, under the guidance of College Principal, Dr Amandeep Heera. Principal Dr Heera Congratulated the Dept., HoD, and event Coordinator, Prof. Navdeep Singh.

Dept. of English Organised FDP on “The Future of Visuals: Graphic Design, AI and Trends for Teaching”

Under the guidance of College Principal Dr Amandeep Heera, Department of English in collaboration with NLD has organised an Online National Faculty Development Program on “The Future of Visuals: Graphic Design, AI and Trends for Teaching”. this event was jointly conducted by English Dept, BAM Khalsa College, Garhshankar and NLD, Hyderabad. Event was a great success.

Dept of English Organised Online National Short Term Course on ” Impressionist Studies: A Literary Introduction”

Under the guidance of Principal Dr Heera, Dept of English organised one week Online National Short Term Course on ” Impressionist Studies: A Literary Introduction”. Prof. Navdeep Singh organised the event and coordinated with the help of

Head, Prof. Ritu Singh. Faculty members of the College, along with other participants from far flung areas took place in this program. this program was in collaboration with NLD.

Asst. Prof. Navdeep Singh Conducts Two-Week Online Course: “A Short-Term Course in English Competency”

Report on the Two-Week Online Course: “A Short-Term Course in English Competency”

(21st June – 4th July 2025)

Under the able guidance of the Principal, **Dr. Amandeep Heera**, a two-week online course titled **“A Short-Term Course in English Competency”** was successfully conducted from **21st June to 4th July 2025** at **Babbar Akali Memorial Khalsa College, Garhshankar**. The course was coordinated and led by **Assistant Professor Navdeep Singh**, Department of English.

The primary aim of the course was to enhance the English language skills of the participants, focusing particularly on the following core areas:

- Writing Skills
- Effective Paragraph and Essay Writing
- Vocabulary Development
- Pronunciation Enrichment

Approximately **100 students** actively participated in the course and benefited greatly from the interactive sessions, practice-

based modules, and regular assignments. The participants were guided through various strategies to improve clarity, coherence, and fluency in both written and spoken English.

Dr. Amandeep Heera, the College Principal, consistently supported the initiative, ensuring that the program maintained academic rigor and practical relevance. Her encouragement and leadership were instrumental in the successful execution of the course.

The Department of English extends its gratitude to all the participants and contributors who made this course a productive and enriching experience. Feedback from the students has been overwhelmingly positive, indicating a strong interest in similar initiatives in the future.

Special Lecture on “Newspaper Reading Skills: Understanding the Art of Reading News Effectively” Held at B.A.M. Khalsa College,

Garhshankar

Date: 09.04.2025

Under the guidance of the Directorate of Education, Patiala, and the esteemed leadership of College Principal **Dr. Amandeep Heera**, the Department of English at **Babbar Akali Memorial**

Khalsa College, Garhshankar, successfully organized a special lecture titled **“Newspaper Reading Skills: Understanding the Art of Reading News Effectively”** on April 9, 2025.

The principal, Dr. Amandeep Heera, in her address, motivated students to develop regular reading habits by accessing the college library and exploring digital platforms for news consumption. However, she emphasized the continuing relevance and authenticity of **print media** in today’s digital age.

The resource person for the session, **Prof. Navdeep Singh**, delivered an insightful and engaging lecture using a PowerPoint presentation. He explained the **different components of a newspaper**, such as headlines, articles, editorials, and opinion pieces. He highlighted the importance of newspapers in improving **vocabulary, language skills, and general awareness**, particularly for students preparing for government job examinations.

The lecture was coordinated under the able leadership of **Prof. Ritu Singh**, Head of the Department of English, with active support from **Prof. Poonam** and the entire English faculty. The session was graced by the presence of distinguished faculty members, including **Prof. Lakhwinderjeet Kaur, Prof. Jatinder Kaur, and Prof. Kanwaljeet Kaur**.

**Dept of Arts & IQAC Organised
a Special Session on**

Financial Literacy

The Principal of Babbar Akali Memorial Khalsa College, Dr. Amandeep Heera, has always emphasized the importance of organizing informative and skill-enhancing sessions for students. Under her guidance, the IQAC & Arts Department of the college organized a Special Session on Financial Literacy on 28th February 2025 at 11:00 AM in the Smart Room. The session aimed to educate students and faculty about essential financial concepts such as Budgeting, Saving, Digital Banking, Cyber Frauds, and the Ombudsman Scheme.

The session was conducted by Sh. Sanjeev Singh, AGM, RBI, Chandigarh, who provided valuable insights into financial management and digital banking. He highlighted the significance of financial planning, discussed the rising risks of cyber frauds, and explained the Ombudsman scheme, which serves as a grievance redressal mechanism for banking customers. His session was highly interactive, allowing students and faculty to clarify their doubts and gain practical knowledge about secure financial practices. Mr. Singh acquainted students with basic life insurances costing only 20Rs. & 436 Rs. respectively a year. As a token of appreciation, refreshment & coffee mugs with the RBI logo printed on them were distributed to the attendees.

Prof. Navdeep Singh moderated the session, ensuring smooth interaction between the speaker and the attendees. Prof. Ritu Singh, the College Nodal Officer (RBI), played a crucial role in coordinating the event. The session also had the active support of Prof. Lakhwinderjeet Kaur, Head, Dept. of Social Sciences, and Dr. Kuldeep Kaur, Co-ordinator, IQAC. The stage was efficiently managed by Prof. Priyanka Rani, who ensured the seamless flow of the event.

The event witnessed the participation of around 100 students, across all departments, who benefited immensely from the session. The faculty members of the college, Prof. Kalwant Singh, Dr. Janki Aggarwal, Dr. Manbeer Kaur, Prof. Harwinder

Kaur, Prof. Arvinder Kaur, Prof. Kamaljeet Kaur, Prof. Kanwaljeet Kaur, Prof. Saurav Dadri, Prof. Naresh Kumari, Prof. Rekha, Prof. Amanpreet Kaur, to name a few, also attended and actively engaged in the discussion, making it a fruitful learning experience for all. The Principal, Dr. Amandeep Heera, appreciated the efforts of the organizing team and emphasized the need for more such informative sessions to enhance students' practical knowledge beyond academics.

Educational Trip to Anandpur Sahib for BA/BSc B.Ed Students of Babbar Akali Memorial Khalsa College, Garhshankar

On 22/02/2025, Babbar Akali Memorial Khalsa College, organized an enriching educational trip for BA and BSc students to Anandpur Sahib. The trip was conducted under the able guidance of Principal Dr. Amandeep Heera and aimed to provide students with historical and spiritual insights.

During the visit, students explored the revered Gurdwara Sahibs of Anandpur Sahib and gained a deep understanding of Sikh heritage and traditions. A major highlight of the trip was their visit to Virasat-e-Khalsa, a world-class museum that showcases the rich history and culture of Punjab and Sikhism through immersive exhibits and modern technology.

The students were accompanied by faculty members Prof. Sangha Gurbaksh Kaur, Prof. Navdeep Singh, Prof. Preetinder Singh,

Prof. Kuldeep Kaur, Prof. Harwinder Kaur, Prof. Preetinder Singh, Prof. Saurav Dadri, and Prof. Kanwaljeet Kaur.

A special vote of thanks was extended to S. Sukhminder Singh, Secretary Education, SGPC, for his continuous efforts in improving English language education across SGPC-run institutions. His dedication to enhancing students' language skills has been instrumental in organizing such educational initiatives. Dr. Datt, Principal Dr Amandeep Heera, Prof. Lakhwinderjeet Kaur, Prof. Ritu Singh, Prof. Navdeep Singh, Prof. Poonam and other faculty members inaugurated ELF (English Learners' Fraternity) Club at the College. This is done under the guidance of Principal Dr Heera & Prof. Datt to promote English language and its understanding.

Prof. Ritu Singh, Head of the Department of English, expressed gratitude to the guest speaker and faculty members for their participation and encouraged students to actively apply the techniques discussed in the workshop. Dr. Amandeep Heera, Principal, lauded the initiative and emphasized the importance of such interactive sessions in shaping students' academic and professional growth. The event was coordinated by Prof. Navdeep Singh, who ensured smooth execution of the session.

The workshop concluded on a high note, leaving students motivated and equipped with innovative strategies to strengthen their command of the English language.

