

2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

LISTENING & SPEAKING SYLLABUS FOR VEM 1 & 2

FALL TERM: (21.09.2026 – 06.01.2027) - 6 HOURS a week

COURSE BOOK: National Geographic 21st Century communication - Book 2

Week	Date	Unit	Vocabulary	Language	presentation	Exam
1	September 21-25	Unit 1	Words related to social interaction; Collocations with connection	Agree or disagree on different topics (Communication Skill: Agree and disagree)		
2	September 28 October 2	Unit 1	Words to talk about secrets; Collocations with secret	Agree or disagree on ways of connecting with people	Group presentation: A community project that connects people Presentation Skill: Start strong	
3	October 5-9	Unit 2	Words related to expectations; Collocations with expectations	Express opinions on societal expectations (Communication Skill: Express opinions)		
4	October 12-16	Unit 2	Words to talk about career expectations; Phrases with living, risk, choice	Give advice on how to manage expectations	Individual presentation: An interview with someone on how they managed their career expectations Presentation Skill: Use repetition for emphasis	
5	October 19-23	Unit 3	Words related to power; Noun, verb, and adjective word forms	Explain a topic and ask follow-up questions (Communication Skill: Ask follow-up questions)		
6	October 26-30	Unit 3	Words related to government spending; Noun, verb, and adjective word forms	Suggest how a country could improve its soft power	Individual presentation: How public money should be spent Presentation Skill: Connect with the audience	
7	November 2-6	Unit 4	Words related to life goals; Collocations with balance	Make recommendations on a chosen topic (Communication Skill: Make recommendations)		

8	November 9-13	Unit 4	Words related to habits; Noun, verb, and adjective word forms	Make recommendations on a student's commitments	Individual presentation: Three recommendations on setting realistic life goals Presentation Skill: Emphasize your points	Nov 10-11, test 1
9	November 16-20	Unit 5	Words to talk about climate change; Noun and verb word forms	Describe effects of a trend (Communication Skill: Express cause and effect)		
10	November 23-27	Unit 5	Words to talk about environmental change; Noun and verb word forms	Design a campaign on how to raise awareness on an environmental issue	Group presentation: How to address an environmental problem in your community Presentation Skill: End strong	
11	November 30 December 4	Unit 6	Words related to cybercrime; Suffixes -ful and -less	Use examples to explain a concept (Communication Skill: Use examples to support ideas)		
12	December 7-11	Unit 6	Words to talk about digital footprints; Noun, verb, and adjective word forms	Give tips on staying safe online	Individual presentation: A case study of a cybercrime and how to stay safe Presentation Skill: Define unfamiliar concepts	
13	December 14-18	Unit 7	Words related to making choices; Suffixes -ity, -ion, and -hood	Organize ideas and give tips on a topic (Communication Skill: Use signal words to mark transitions)		
14	December 21-25	Unit 7	Words to talk about the idea of minimalism; Collocations with amount	Examine the advantages and disadvantages of different personality types	Group presentation: Whether having less makes us happier Presentation Skill: Connect the ending to the beginning	
15	December 28 January 1	Unit 8	Words related to creativity; Collocations with research Words related to exploration and adventure; Collocations with	Summarize key details to explain a topic (Communication Skill: Rephrase and summarize) Suggest ways to improve creativity	Individual presentation: A personal experience of a microadventure Presentation Skill: Pace your presentation	

			imagination			
16	January 5-6					Jan 5-6, Test 2

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LISTENING&SPEAKING SYLLABUS FOR VEM GROUPS

SPRING TERM: (08.02.2027 – 01.06.2027) - 6 HOURS a week

COURSE BOOK: National Geographic 21st Century communication - Book 3

Week	Date	Unit	Vocabulary	Language	presentation	Exam
1	Feb 8-12	Unit 1	Words related to success; Word-forms with accomplish, determination, inspirational and motivate	Introduce stories (Communication Skill: Use someone's story to make a point)		
2	Feb 15-19	Unit 1	Words related to opportunities and obstacles; Phrasal verbs with turn	Create a definition of success, using a story to illustrate	Individual presentation: Two successful people Presentation Skill: Use humor to connect with an audience	
3	Feb 22-26	Unit 2	Words related to making a difference; The suffix -tion	Discuss opinions about making a difference (Communication Skill: Seek and offer clarification)		
4	Mar 1-5	Unit 2	Words related to equality; The suffix -or	Create a proposal to help the local community	Individual presentation: Three individuals or organizations that make a difference Presentation Skill: Show enthusiasm	

5	Mar 8-12	Unit 3	Words related to communication; Suffixes that change word forms	Use different types of explanation (Communication Skill: Explain unfamiliar terms)		
6	Mar 15-19	Unit 3	Words related to language; Collocations with attention	Create and explain new blend words	Group presentation: Three uncommon but useful words Presentation Skill: Encourage audience participation	
7	Mar 22-26	Unit 4	Words related to anxiety; Collocations with words related to stress	Explain the causes and effects of stress (Communication Skill: Describe cause and effect)		
8	Mar 29 Apr 02	Unit 4	Words related to managing stress; Forms of confession, heal, compassionate, and empathy	Provide solutions for how two students might reduce their stress levels	Group presentation: Conduct a survey on stress and present the results Presentation Skill: Vary your pace	Mar 30-31, Test 3
9	Apr 5-9	Unit 5	Words related to charitable giving; The prefix under-	Support your viewpoint with an emotional appeal (Communication Skill: Appeal to emotions)		
10	Apr 12-16	Unit 5	Words related to voluntourism; Antonyms of external, inclusive, dependence, and outsider	Use supporting arguments and emotional appeals to convince others	Individual presentation: Convince others to support an organization you believe in Presentation Skill: Make an emotional connection	
11	Apr 19-23	Unit 6	Words related to	Discuss pros and		

			entrepreneurship ; The prefix over-	cons of different ways of working (Communication Skill: Discuss pros and cons)		
12	Apr 26-30	Unit 6	Words related to business; Antonyms for tough, infinite, prior, and humble	Discuss and recommend a career choice	Individual presentation: A new business you would like to start Presentation Skill: Pause effectively	
13	May 3-7	Unit 7	Words related to health; Words for different systems in our bodies	Talk on a health- related topic (Communication Skill: Use signal words and phrases to mark transitions)		
14	May 10-14	Unit 7	Words related to sleep; The prefix inter-	Identify areas for improvement and suggest lifestyle changes	Group presentation: Argue for or against a statement related to healthy living Presentation Skill: Organize information logically	May 11- 12, Test 4
15	May 17-21	Unit 8	Words related to the brain; Word- forms of approach, diverse, transform, diagnose, and imperfect Words related to limits; Collocations with encounter	Tell a story about a problem you encountered (Communication Skill: Describe a sequence of events) Identify problems and suggest solutions	Individual presentation: Someone who has overcome a limitation to achieve success Presentation Skill: Use figurative language	
16	May 24-28	General revision				May 31 Jun 1, Final exam

