

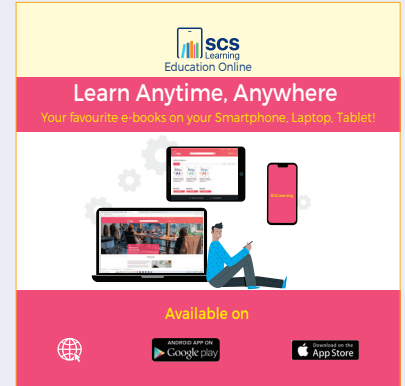
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“It is never too late to be what you might have been.”

—George Eliot

EDITORIAL

Let Bygones Be Bygones

*Embrace what lifts you up and
shed what weighs you down*

As the calendar turns and the New Year dawns, it offers us a rare and precious gift: the chance to begin again. The past year, like every year before it, has been a blend of joy and disappointment, success and regret, understanding and misunderstanding. Carrying forward only the lessons, and not the hurt, is perhaps the wisest way to honour what we have lived through.

Starting afresh in the new year does not mean erasing our memories or pretending that difficulties never existed. It means choosing peace over resentment and growth over stagnation. Misunderstandings are an inevitable part of human relationships. Words spoken in haste, actions misinterpreted, expectations unmet—these moments can create distance between people who once shared warmth and trust. The new year gives us an opportunity to pause, reflect and ask ourselves a simple but powerful question: is holding on to past bitterness worth more than restoring harmony? More often than not, the answer is ‘No.’

Learning from mistakes is another cornerstone of a fresh start. Every misstep in the past year holds a lesson, if we are willing to look honestly at ourselves. Mistakes are not signs of failure; they are markers of growth. They teach us patience, humility and resilience. The new year becomes truly meaningful when we resolve not to repeat the same patterns blindly, but to act with greater awareness. Making 2026 one of the most memorable years is not about grand achievements alone. It is about meaningful moments: conversations that heal, efforts that matter, and days lived with purpose. It is about prioritising what truly counts—relationships, inner peace and personal growth.

As we step into the new year, let us carry hope in our hearts and clarity in our minds. Let us forgive freely, reconnect sincerely, learn humbly, and act positively. ‘Let bygones be bygones’ is not merely a comforting phrase; it is an invitation to release the weight of yesterday and step into tomorrow with a lighter heart.

Happy New Year!



“Celebrate endings—for they precede new beginnings.”

— Jonathan Lockwood Huie



“The magic in new beginnings is truly the most powerful of them all.”

— Josiyah Martin



“And now we welcome the new year. Full of things that have never been.”

— Rainer Maria Rilke



“Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right.”

— Oprah Winfrey



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Workshops/Webinars

WITH requests for author-teacher interaction pouring in, our authors took great pride in hosting offline and online workshops for teachers and students. As a result, a number of workshops and webinars were organised in different parts of the country.

While CA. (Dr.) G.S. Grewal and Mr. R.K. Khosla, acclaimed authors of 'Double Entry Book Keeping' for classes XI and XII, hosted the Accountancy workshops, Dr. Sachin Gupta, a name to be reckoned with in the field of New-Age Skills and author of our 'Decoding Artificial Intelligence' and 'Essentials of Data Science' series, took the participants through the AI workshops/webinars with elan.

Accountancy workshops were conducted at NH Goel School, Raipur, Chhattisgarh; Academic World School, Bemetara, Chhattisgarh, besides many others. With Artificial Intelligence gaining momentum, a series of webinars were conducted by Dr. Sachin Gupta.

The House of Sultan Chand is committed to helping schools improve their teaching methodology by organising workshops/webinars. Requests for workshops/webinars may be forwarded to our head office or to our representative visiting your school.



CA. (Dr.) G.S. Grewal

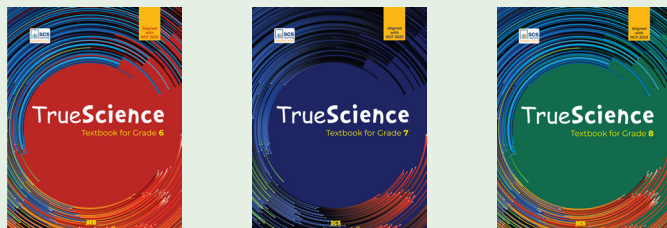


Dr. Sachin Gupta

TrueScience

Grades 6 to 8

Dr. Sarita Kumar, Dr. Sunita Hooda and Dr. Manisha Verma



- Course content based on the latest NCERT syllabus
- Learning outcomes at the beginning of each chapter
- Concepts explained through experiments and real-life examples
- Diverse Objective Type Questions to strengthen learning
- HOTS Questions
- Source of Inspiration to inculcate scientific temper

ILLUSTRATED BIOLOGY

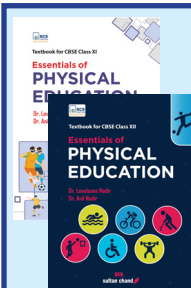
Classes XI - XII



- NCERT Textbook Questions
- NCERT Exemplar Questions
- Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)
- Assertion and Reason Type Questions
- HOTS Questions

Essentials of PHYSICAL EDUCATION

for Classes XI and XII



A healthy body breeds a healthy mind. **Essentials of Physical Education** not only meets the latest CBSE syllabus requirements but also helps develop learners' interest in the subject. The book, written in a student-friendly manner, includes past years' CBSE Board Examination Questions with Answers, Objective Type/Multiple Choice Questions, ample Viva Voce questions, myriad relevant pictures, diagrams and tables.

Award for Dr. Ashish Bansal

Dr. Ashish Bansal, author of our Mathematics books for classes XI and XII, has been awarded the prestigious V.M. Shah Prize for the best research paper in harmonic analysis by the Indian Mathematical Society (IMS). We are proud of his achievements.



Congratulations!

OlympAI Hackathon

AN AI-ML Olympiad was organised for students of Classes 6 to 12, giving them a platform to showcase their creativity and problem-solving skills through AI-powered projects. The one of its kind Olympiad witnessed pan-India participation from over 250 enthusiastic teams representing 100-plus schools from across the country and the Middle East. The hugely successful event was judged by famed authors and Computer Science Professors.

WINNERS ALL

Grades 6-8

Team Name

The De-Fakers
Quantum Gliders
Ai Squad

School Name

GEMS Millennium School
Ology Tech School Peelamedu
G.D. Goenka Public School, Sarita Vihar

Grades 9-10

Team Name

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Keren Barrier Breakers
Bhavan Team 2

School Name

Sant Atulanand Convent School
Keren Schools
Bhavan Vidyalaya Chandigarh

Grades 11-12

Team Name

Autocrats of Data
Reality Devs
ThinkTank

School Name

Airport school
Paramount International School
GEMS Millennium School

Hardware Makers

Team Name

Phalanx Akida
Nswbh Team 1
Shri Warriors

School Name

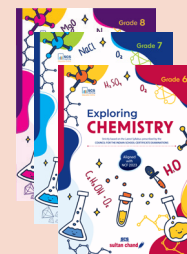
Velammal Vidyalaya senior secondary school
Narayana School Howrah
The Shriram Millennium School

For ICSE Classes VI TO VIII

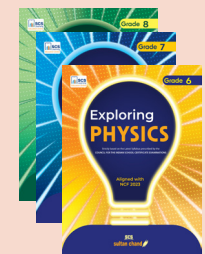
Exploring BIOLOGY



Exploring CHEMISTRY



Exploring PHYSICS



BONJOUR L'INDE

Méthode de français

Coursebook & Workbook

Class IV onwards



Setting Goals: A Step Towards Self-Growth

SOME say goals are meant to be accomplished, while others believe they are meant to be broken. At first glance, these views appear contradictory, yet both hold a certain truth. Goals are powerful because they give direction to our thoughts and actions.

At the beginning of every new year, people across the world reflect on their lives and make resolutions. Someone may decide to start a new habit, read more books, learn a new skill, improve fitness, or break a bad habit. There is nothing wrong with any of these intentions. In fact, the act of setting goals itself reflects hope, optimism, and the desire to improve. Goals act as a compass, pointing us towards a better version of ourselves, even if we do not always reach the exact destination we initially envisioned.

It is important to understand that goals are not rigid rules carved in stone. They are guidelines that help us prioritize what matters most at a particular phase of life. Sometimes, circumstances change, responsibilities increase, or opportunities arise that require us to rethink or even

abandon certain goals. This does not mean we have failed. On the contrary, recognizing when to adapt or let go of a goal demonstrates maturity and wisdom. New Year goals can be broadly categorized into personal development goals, financial goals, health and wellness goals, relationship and social goals, career and professional goals, and tourism or travel goals. Each category plays a vital role in shaping a balanced and fulfilling life.

“The act of setting goals itself reflects hope, optimism and the desire to improve.”

Personal development goals, such as reading regularly or learning a new skill, expand our knowledge and sharpen our minds.

Financial goals encourage discipline, planning and responsibility. Relationship and social goals help us nurture meaningful connections. Spending more quality time with family, reconnecting with old friends strengthens emotional bonds. Career and professional goals


motivate us to upgrade skills and seek growth opportunities. Tourism and travel goals, on the other hand, allow us to explore new places, cultures and experiences. Travel broadens horizons and refreshes the spirit. Even if long-distance travel is not possible, short trips or exploring nearby destinations can provide joy and inspiration.

Ultimately, the value of goals lies not solely in their completion but in their ability to motivate and transform us. Achieving even a small percentage of our goals can bring a sense of satisfaction and progress. Whether goals are accomplished, modified or broken, they serve a greater purpose: guiding us towards self-improvement and a more meaningful life.


Manifesting one’s dream life in the new year does not mean achieving perfection. It means visualizing the life one desires and taking small, consistent steps towards it. In this sense, setting goals every new year is not just a tradition—it is an act of hope and a commitment to becoming better than we were yesterday.

DECODING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Classes IX and XII




Decoding Artificial Intelligence (417) for **CBSE Classes IX and XII** has been designed in a manner that will spark your curiosity while maintaining simplicity in understanding this engrossing subject. The books delve into both the theoretical foundations and practical applications of Artificial Intelligence, employing abundant examples, engaging activities and insightful case studies.



Computer Science With Python


for Classes XI and XII



Computer Science with Python aims at providing an in-depth understanding of the CBSE curriculum. It focuses on teaching Python language to help students learn programming concepts and develop problem-solving skills. With easy-to-understand examples, pseudo-code, flow charts, and other such tools, the student learns to design the logic for a program and then implement that program using Python.

Essentials of INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Classes IX and X



Essentials of Information Technology (402) for **CBSE Classes IX and X**, based on the Skill Subject approved by CBSE’s Department of Skill Education, aims at upgrading the skills and proficiency of the young learner in the field of Information Technology.

The books have been prepared strictly according to the CBSE curriculum. The course has been divided into two parts—Employability Skills and Subject-specific Skills.





















COMPUTERS
A WONDER MACHINE
Classes I to VIII
Seema Chauhan

The series **Computer: A Wonder Machine** has been written to familiarize the young generation with the various features and scope of computers.

The series focuses on facilitating understanding of fundamental computer operations and practices, strengthening the ability to use IT tools to accomplish learning tasks and inculcating the skills to use communication networks.



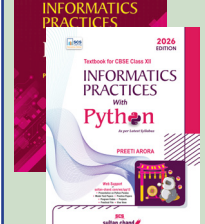
COMPUTERS
GATEWAY TO DIGITAL WORLD
Classes I to VIII

- Strictly as per ICSE syllabus
- Well-defined computer languages
- File Management, Organization of Data and Word Processing
- Algorithms, Flow charts, Database Management and writing programs
- Details on how to make effective presentations and how to develop mobile applications

INFORMATICS PRACTICES

With Python

for Classes XI and XII



Python is a popular object-oriented language used both for stand-alone programs and scripting applications in a variety of domains. The books contain ample concise and practical example programs along with diagrams and instances from real-life situations. Each chapter consists of tested, debugged and error-free code with screenshots. The books also include Viva Voce questions, Model Test Paper, Practice Paper besides Web Support.

Questions

How? Who can say how?
How did we travel from Then
until Now?
Galaxies hurled and hurtled
apart—
How in the world did the whole
thing start?
Was there a bang? How long ago?
Does anyone anywhere really
know?

Why? Who can say why?
Why did the dinosaur dynasty
die?
Why should a beast whose
power was colossal
Give up the ghost and turn into
a fossil?
Give us a clue; why was it so?
Does anyone anywhere really
know?

When? Who can say when?
When did our ancestors turn
into men?
Swinging about in family tree,
When did they start to look
something like me?
Heavyweight brain, when did
you grow?
Does anyone anywhere really
know?...

Where do we come from and
where do we go?
And who can say who is in
charge of the show?
Does anyone anywhere really
know?

—Julia Donaldson

Symphony English Reader 8

बढ़े चलो!

न हाथ एक शस्त्र हो
न हाथ एक अस्त्र हो
न अन्न वीर वस्त्र हो
हटो नहीं, डरो नहीं
बढ़े चलो! बढ़े चलो!

रहे समक्ष हिम-शिखर
तुम्हारा प्रण उठे निखर
भले ही जाए जन बिखर
रुको नहीं, झुको नहीं
बढ़े चलो! बढ़े चलो!

घटा घिरी अटूट हो
अधर में कालकूट हो
वही सुधा का घूँट हो
जिये चलो, मरे चलो
बढ़े चलो! बढ़े चलो!

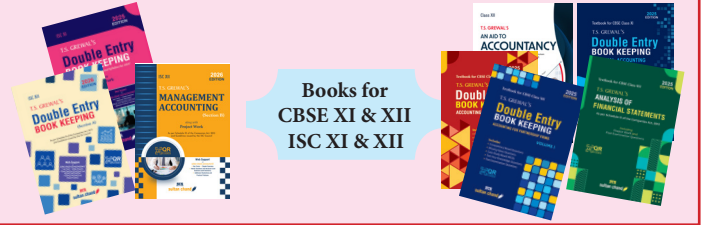
गगन उगलता आग हो
छिड़ा मरण का राग हो
लहू का अपना फाग हो
अड़ो वहीं, गड़ो वहीं
बढ़े चलो! बढ़े चलो!...

अशेष रक्त तोल दो
स्वतंत्रता का मोल दो
कड़ी युगों की खोल दो
डरो नहीं, मरो नहीं
बढ़े चलो! बढ़े चलो!

—सोहनलाल द्विवेदी

नवीन पलाश, कक्षा 5

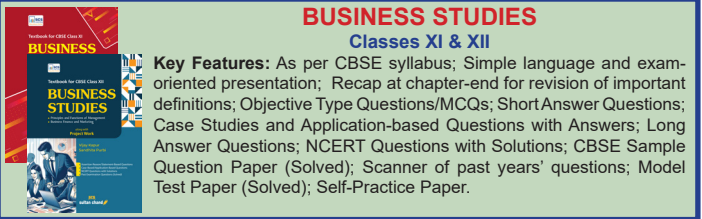
ACCOUNTANCY



Books for
CBSE XI & XII
ISC XI & XII

BUSINESS STUDIES

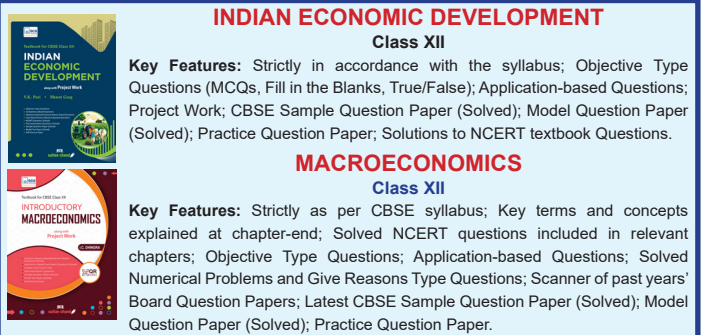
Classes XI & XII



Key Features: As per CBSE syllabus; Simple language and exam-oriented presentation; Recap at chapter-end for revision of important definitions; Objective Type Questions/MCQs; Short Answer Questions; Case Studies and Application-based Questions with Answers; Long Answer Questions; NCERT Questions with Solutions; CBSE Sample Question Paper (Solved); Scanner of past years' questions; Model Test Paper (Solved); Self-Practice Paper.

INDIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Class XII



Key Features: Strictly in accordance with the syllabus; Objective Type Questions (MCQs, Fill in the Blanks, True/False); Application-based Questions; Project Work; CBSE Sample Question Paper (Solved); Model Question Paper (Solved); Practice Question Paper; Solutions to NCERT textbook Questions.

MACROECONOMICS

Class XII

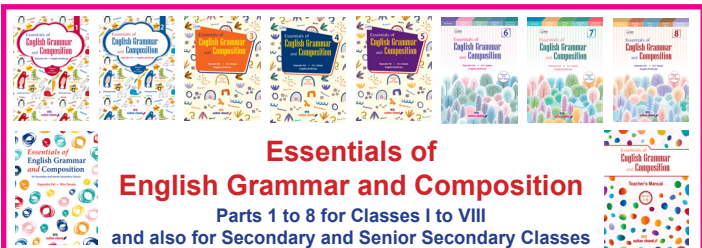
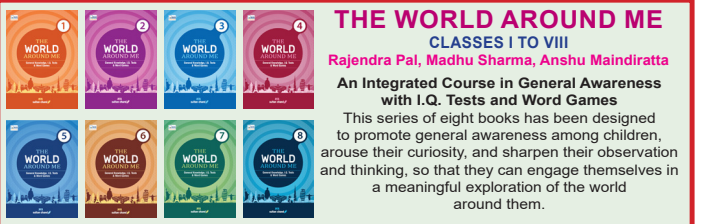
Key Features: Strictly as per CBSE syllabus; Key terms and concepts explained at chapter-end; Solved NCERT questions included in relevant chapters; Objective Type Questions; Application-based Questions; Solved Numerical Problems and Give Reasons Type Questions; Scanner of past years' Board Question Papers; Latest CBSE Sample Question Paper (Solved); Model Question Paper (Solved); Practice Question Paper.

THE WORLD AROUND ME CLASSES I TO VIII

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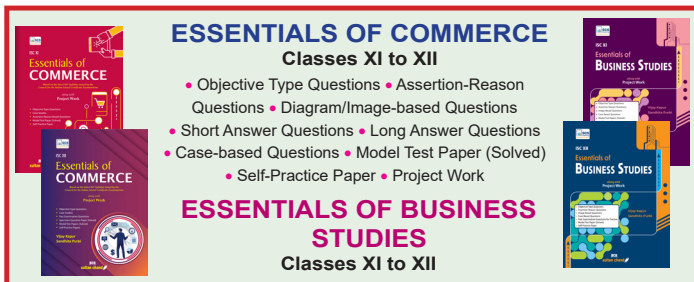
ESSENTIALS OF COMMERCE

Classes XI to XII

- Objective Type Questions • Assertion-Reason Questions • Diagram/Image-based Questions
- Short Answer Questions • Long Answer Questions
- Case-based Questions • Model Test Paper (Solved)
- Self-Practice Paper • Project Work

ESSENTIALS OF BUSINESS STUDIES

Classes XI to XII



An Open Invitation to AUTHORS

Are you planning to write a textbook or reference book for school children? We would love to hear from you. Put your thoughts on paper before they evaporate. We are ready to help you fulfil your long-cherished dream. Write the book you always wanted to and contact us at:

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