



URVANA-SKILLSHARE

Chaubas, Ward 4, Bhumlu Rural Municipality, Kavrepalanchowk

LEARN, UNDERSTAND, AND SPEAK ENGLISH

Seti Devi School — Chaubas

LANGUAGE PROJECT 2026

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Why learn English?

Learning English opens up new horizons for a child. It enables them to communicate with people from other places, discover different cultures, and learn to listen better. A child who speaks English becomes more curious, more confident, and more engaged with the world around them.

English is the most widely spoken language in the world and the official language of 53 countries. It is also the language of the majority of online content and a skill increasingly required by global companies of their employees. For a child in Chaubas, learning English today means gaining access to better opportunities for education, travel, and employment in the future.

For all these reasons, the program is designed to encourage children to train, work, speak, and practice repeatedly-without fear of judgment-within a supportive environment tailored to Seti Devi School.

The program at Seti Devi School

For absolute beginners, the program offers a proficiency test, a review of the basics, and a catch-up phase consisting of 37 lessons and 37 exercises, including 7 progress reviews. Children learn at their own pace through games, group activities, images, and songs—using dedicated modules (pronunciation, numbers, days, time, months)-to prepare them for three progressive coaching levels, with a knowledge test each month.

The progressive courses are organized into three levels: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. Each lesson consists of three exercises, and the child moves on to the next lesson only after successfully completing all three. Work is carried out in small groups and follows a continuous storyline-featuring a local child discovering the English-speaking world—which allows each group to review everything they have learned before proceeding to the next stage.

Beginner level: 53 lessons comprising 3 exercises each (159 exercises) and 6 exams; 16 of these lessons are built around the continuous storyline.

Intermediate level: 43 lessons comprising 3 exercises each (129 exercises) and 6 exams, covering grammar, sentence comprehension, and practical English across 7 dedicated lessons.

Advanced level: 58 lessons comprising 3 exercises each (174 exercises) and 6 exams, spanning approximately 4 months, with 5 dedicated practical English lessons and the conclusion of the storyline.

The "Learning Together" Method

Based on grammar and vocabulary review, continuous speech, oral role-play, phonetics, reading comprehension, and writing, the method enables each child to:

- Interact with ease
- Handle everyday situations
- Adapt to new realities
- Build lasting relationships

Children listen, speak, read, and write throughout the four learning levels. By the end of this five-year program, the child is able to speak and write English independently in real-life situations.

My Contribution

I design and facilitate the educational component of the program at the Seti Devi School. Holding a Master's degree in Medieval Art History and Calligraphy (Versailles Academy of Arts) and with over 43 years of experience in the arts, design, and education, I taught English, French, and arts and crafts in more than twelve schools in India between 2014 and 2020.

I provide training and coaching to the school's teachers in English and cursive writing for the lower grades, and I also teach French. I co-authored the "WASH in Schools" (WinS) program with Ananda-published in 2017 by Himanshu Publications-which is now used to integrate hygiene practices into the children's daily lives.

This dual expertise-in English language teaching and hygiene education—allows the program to support the child holistically: learning a language while also learning to care for oneself and others.

Urvana-Skillshare: a partnership serving Seti Devi

Urvana-Skillshare combines the complementary skills of Urvashi and Ananda, based in Chaubas, to serve the children and teachers of the Seti Devi school. The language program is part of a broader initiative to share skills and provide educational support to the Chaubas community, led by the two volunteers.

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