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Title of E-Content Module
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A textbook maybe described as being an aid to teaching and learning which is specially prepared by experts for the use of students and teachers.

In the words of Kothari Education Commission

“A good textbook written by a qualified and competent specialist in the subject and produced with due regards of printing, illustrations and general get up, stimulates the pupil’s interest and helps the teacher considerably at his work”

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Academic

Physical



Academic Aspects

I. Selection of the content.

- ✓ Relevant content
- ✓ Coverage of the course
- ✓ Adequate content
- ✓ Up-to-date content
- ✓ Continuity and balance

- ✓ **Integrated content**
- ✓ **Linking with life.**

II. Organisation of the content

- ✓ **Division into units**
- ✓ **Division into sections**
- ✓ **Psychological approach**
- ✓ **Coherence in the subject matter**
- ✓ **Flexible organisation**

III. Presentation of the content

- ✓ **Attractive and appropriate title**
- ✓ **Motivating presentation**
- ✓ **Interesting and creative approach**
- ✓ **Adequate terminology**
- ✓ **Adequate provision for replication**
- ✓ **Provision for suitable suggestions for teachers**

IV. Verbal Communication or Language

- ✓ **Appropriate vocabulary**
- ✓ **Short and simple sentences**
- ✓ **Correct spellings**
- ✓ **Correct punctuations**
- ✓ **Grammatically correct language**
- ✓ **Proper use of technical terms**

V. Visual Communication (illustration)

- ✓ **Clear illustrations**
- ✓ **Purposeful presentation of illustrations**
- ✓ **Adequate illustrations**
- ✓ **Supplementation of text**
- ✓ **Variety of illustrations**

VI. Learning Assignments (Exercises and Projects)

- ✓ **Adequate exercises**
- ✓ **Wide coverage**
- ✓ **Scope for projects**
- ✓ **Real projects**

- ✓ Challenging exercises
- ✓ Graded exercises

VII. Prelims ad Back pages

- ✓ Appropriate title page
- ✓ Suitable preface
- ✓ Effective introduction
- ✓ Correct table of contents
- ✓ Bibliography
- ✓ Suitable glossary & Index



Physical Aspects

1. Size of the Book

- ✓ Suitable size
- ✓ Suitable volume

2. Printing Layout

- ✓ Suitable length
- ✓ Suitable type
- ✓ Appropriate margin
- ✓ Aesthetic outlook
- ✓ Appropriate spacing

3. Durability

- ✓ Durable paper
- ✓ Life of the book
- ✓ Suitable price of paper

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