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Fifth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, December 2018
First Degree Programme Under CBCSS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
Core Course – IX
EN 1544 : Linguistics and Phonetics
(2013 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, **each** in a **word** or **sentence**.

- 1) Why is spoken language said to be primary ?
- 2) What is diachronic study of a language ?
- 3) What does phonology study ?
- 4) Name the linguist who made a distinction between competence and performance.
- 5) Define a register.
- 6) What do descriptive grammarians do ?
- 7) Define a nasal.
- 8) What is RP ?
- 9) What does semantics study ?
- 10) What is a voiceless consonant ?

(1×10=10 Marks)

II. Answer **any eight**, **each** in a short paragraph **not** exceeding **50** words.

- 11) Distinguish between a dialect and a sociolect.
- 12) What are cardinal vowels ?
- 13) What are allophones ?
- 14) What are suprasegmental features of a language ?
- 15) What are PS rules ?
- 16) What are form classes ?

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- 17) What is sentence stress ?
- 18) Explain assimilation.
- 19) What is *langue* ?
- 20) What are abutting consonants ?
- 21) What is the significance of the *karakas* ?
- 22) Write a note on linking 'r'.

(8×2=16 Marks)

III. Answer **any six, each** in a paragraph **not** exceeding **100** words.

- 23) Consider Australian English as a dialect of English.
- 24) How does American English differ from British English in terms of grammar ?
- 25) English has a system of fixed and variable stress. Illustrate.
- 26) Explain the difference between a pure vowel and a vowel glide.
- 27) How are the semi-vowels of English articulated ?
- 28) How does tone affect speech in situations ?
- 29) What is the difference between a phonemic transcription and a phonetic transcription ?
- 30) What are non-native varieties of languages ?
- 31) What are the characteristics of a basic sentence ?

(6×4=24 Marks)

IV. Answer **any two, each** in about **three hundred** words.

- 32) Attempt a classification of the vowels of English.
- 33) Describe the processes involved in IC analysis.
- 34) Explain the notion of traditional grammar.
- 35) Write an essay on the different types of sentence structures.

(15×2=30 Marks)

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I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence :

1. What is syntax?
2. What is Cognitive Linguistics?
3. What is a phoneme?
4. What is glottis?
5. Define Dialect.
6. Define Allomorph
7. Which are the nasal sounds in English?
8. What is meant by phonetic transcription?
9. What is elision?
10. Define gliding vowel.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **eight**, each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words :

11. Sociolinguistics
12. Stop sounds
13. Langue
14. Received Pronunciation
15. What is the difference between Phonetics and Phonology?
16. Close vowels
17. Aspirated sounds
18. Voiced and Voiceless sounds
19. What are the functions of the vocal cords?
20. Lateral sounds
21. Assimilation
22. Acronym

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six** each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words :

23. Explain the different branches of Linguistics.
24. Diachronic and Synchronic study of language.
25. Acceptability.
26. Articulatory Phonetics.
27. Suprasegmental features.

28. Major English Language Varieties.
29. Bhartrihari.
30. Classification of vowels in English Language with examples.
31. Free and Bound morphemes.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer any **two** each in about **300** words :

32. Discuss the human speech mechanism.
33. The classification of sounds according to the place of articulation and voicing.
34. Key binary concepts in the study of language.
35. Indian approach to the study of language.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)
