

**BA ENGLISH  
SECOND SEMESTER  
HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
BEN-202**

Duration: 3 Hrs.

Marks: 70

{ PART : A (OBJECTIVE) = 20  
PART : B (DESCRIPTIVE) = 50 }

[ PART-B:Descriptive ]

Duration: 2 Hrs. 40 Mins.

Marks: 50

**[ Answer question no. One (1) & any four (4) from the rest ]**

1. Trace the descent of the English language from the parent Indo European family of languages. [10]
2. What are the different theories of language? What are the weaknesses of these theories? [7+3=10]
3. How did the Norman Conquest affect the character of English language? Give an account of French loan words. [6+4=10]
4. What are loan words? Give an account of Latin, Scandinavian, Celtic loan words in English. [3+7=10]
5. Write short notes on any two of the following: [5+5=10]  
Hybrids    Basic English    Acronym    Portmanteau words
6. What do you mean by Generalisation and Specialization of Meaning? [5+5=10]
7. Define Standard English. Trace the history of the same. [4+6=10]
8. What do you mean by American English? How does it differ from British English? [5+5=10]

BA ENGLISH  
SECOND SEMESTER  
HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
BEN-202

[ PART-A :Objective ]

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1X20=20

1. Which of the following is incorrect about language?  
a. It is symbolic.  
 b. It is human.  
c. It is a system.  
d. It is animal specific.
2. The following is not an use of language  
a. Informative  
 b. Phatic  
c. Directive  
d. Preventive
3. Phonology does not deal with  
a. Production of sound  
 b. Transmission of sound  
c. Reception of sound  
d. Symbolism
4. Bow Wow theory is associated with  
a. Max Muller  
 b. Richard Paget  
c. Grimm  
d. Verner
5. The Musical theory is propounded by  
a. F.T Wood  
 b. A.R Luria  
c. Otto Jespersen  
d. H. Whitney
6. ....is not a Romance language.  
 a. Italian  
b. French  
c. Spanish  
d. Burmese

7. ....is not a Dravidian language.  
a. Tamil  
b. Telegu  
c. Malayalam  
d. Tibetan
8. Printing was introduced by Caxton in England in  
a. 1476  
b. 1474  
c. 1475  
d. 1473
9. ....is not involved in the translation of the Bible.  
a. Wycliffe  
b. Coverdale  
c. Tyndale  
d. Caxton
10. ....is not a Greek loan word.  
a. Epoch  
b. Drama  
c. Agenda  
d. Kidnap
11. ....is not a Latin loan word.  
a. Bishop  
b. Easter  
c. Mass  
d. Phone
12. ....is not a loan word from the East.  
a. Ahimsa  
b. Curry  
c. Samurai  
d. Santa Claus
13. The word.....was not created by Shakespeare.  
a. Orb  
b. Fretful  
c. Mercy  
d. Dwindle
14. ....said "Spenser writ no language".  
a. Ben Jonson  
b. Raleigh  
c. Dryden  
d. Dr.Johnson



15. ....was not created by Milton.

- a. Writ large
- b. Irradiance
- c. Darkness visible
- d. Damsel

16. ....is not a word formation process.

- a. Compounding
- b. Derivation
- c. Back formation
- d. None of the above

17. Change in meaning does not include

- a. Generalisation
- b. Specialization
- c. Elevation
- d. Clipping

18. ....is not an example of Euphemism.

- a. To pass away
- b. Senior citizens
- c. To liquidate
- d. Baldness

19. Dr. Johnson's Dictionary was published in the year

- a. 1715
- b. 1716
- c. 1717
- d. 1718

20. ....is not American English.

- a. Baggage
- b. Rates
- c. Gas
- d. Taxes

==\*\*\*==

Course : .....

Semester : ..... Roll No : .....

Enrollment No : ..... Course code : .....

Course Title : .....

Session : 2016-17 Date : .....

Instructions / Guidelines

- > The paper contains twenty (20) / ten (10) questions.
- > The student shall write the answer in the box where it is provided.
- > The student shall not overwrite / erase any answer and no mark shall be given for such act.
- > Hand over the question paper cum answer sheet (Objective) within the allotted time (20 minutes / 10 minutes) to the invigilator.

Full Marks	Marks Obtained	Remarks
20		

Scrutinizer's Signature

Examiner's Signature

Invigilator's Signature