

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

(USE SEPARATE ANSWER SCRIPTS FOR OBJECTIVE & DESCRIPTIVE)

Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

Time: 20 min.

[PART-A: Objective]

Marks: 20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1×20=20

1. 's'- in the English word 'players' represent a/an:
 - a. Inflectional suffix
 - b. Derivational suffix
 - c. Inflectional prefix
 - d. Derivational prefix
2. The IPA symbol [ɛ] stands for:
 - a. Unrounded central close vowel
 - b. Unrounded front close vowel
 - c. Unrounded front open-mid vowel
 - d. Unrounded front open vowel
3. The English word 'sunglass' is an example of:
 - a. Blending
 - b. Backformation
 - c. Compounding
 - d. Acronym
4. The branch which deals with the transmission of sound is known as:
 - a. Articulatory phonetics
 - b. Auditory phonetics
 - c. Transitory phonetics
 - d. Acoustic phonetics
5. Assertion I: The term labiodental refers to an obstruction caused by the movement of the lower lip towards the upper teeth.
Assertion II: The production of /θ/ involves a vibration of the vocal cords.
 - a. I is true, but II is false
 - b. Both I and II are true
 - c. Both I and II are false
 - d. I is false, but II is true
6. 'net' is an example of:
 - a. Back clipping
 - b. Fore Clipping
 - c. Middle clipping
 - d. Apocoptation
7. The number of syllables in the word 'bureaucratic' is:
 - a. One
 - b. Two
 - c. Three
 - d. Four
8. IC Analysis was proposed by:
 - a. Zelling Harris
 - b. Leonard Bloomfield
 - c. Rulon Wells
 - d. Ferdinand De Saussure
9. In Structural Linguistics, the procedure of grammatical analysis involving the major division within a syntactic construction at any level and analyzing into immediate constituents and further continuing the process until irreducible constituents are reached is called:
 - a. Tagmemic analysis
 - b. Systematic analysis
 - c. Componential analysis
 - d. IC analysis

(Part-B : Descriptive)

Time : 2 hrs. 40 min.

Marks : 50

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

1. What is a syllable? Explain its important elements and draw structures of the following words: 2+2+6=10
 - a) Horrible
 - b) Exercise
 - c) Fearsome

2. Make IC analysis of the following sentences: 2x5=10
 - a) The father asked his son to pick up the bundle of sticks.
 - b) The girl with long hair was using phone in the class.
 - c) The lion is the king of animals.
 - d) She took the file yesterday.
 - e) The grey monkey quickly chased the brown weasel around the mulberry bush.

3. Discuss the criteria required for describing Vowel Sounds in English. 10

OR

Examine the airstream mechanisms involved in the production of human speech sounds.

4. Transcribe the following : 2x5=10
 - a) Calamity
 - b) Childhood
 - c) Nationality
 - d) Wanted
 - e) Experience

5. What is a Loan word? Discuss the various loan words that English has adopted from Greek and Scandinavian languages. 4+6=10

6. In spite of claiming the status of 'Lingua Franca' across the world, more than 90% vocabulary of English language is originally either borrowed or formed from other languages. 10

Elucidate the line mentioned above in light of the influence of the four languages as prescribed in your syllabus.

7.
 - a) What is Norman Conquest? 2+8=10
 - b) Describe any four categories under which we can study the influence of French language in English.

8. Write short notes on any two of the following: 5x2=10
 - a) Anglo Saxon Period
 - b) The Scandinavian invasion in Britain
 - c) Vocabulary of Latin and its contribution to English
 - d) Greek Vs Scandinavian language

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