

BA ENGLISH
SECOND SEMESTER [REPEAT]
INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH LINGUISTICS
BEN-205

(Use separate answer scripts for Objective & Descriptive)

Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

(PART-A: Objective)

Time: 20 min.

Marks: 20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

1X20=20

1. /b/ is a ----- in English.
a. letter
b. syllable
c. vowel
d. consonant
2. "A language is a system of arbitrary vocal----"
a. communication
b. signs
c. symbols
d. codes
3. ---- refers to the individual variation of language.
a. Dialect
b. Pidgin
c. Ideolect
d. Sociolect
4. IC analysis deals with----
a. sounds
b. phrases
c. syllables
d. intonation
5. Morphology is concerned with---
a. sentences
b. syllables
c. words
d. discourse
6. Three types of signs were given by---
a. John Lyons
b. Charles Sanders Pierce
c. Umberto Eco
d. Ferdinand de Saussure
7. Onomatopoeia is an exception to the property of ---- in language.
a. displacement
b. discreteness
c. arbitrariness
d. productivity
8. An affricate is a combination of-----
a. a stop and a fricative
b. a fricative and a flap
c. a stop and a trill
d. a stop and a retroflex
9. The word 'boy' has----
a. one vowel
b. two vowels
c. no vowel
d. no consonant
10. -ity is ----- in English.
a. an inflectional suffix
b. a derivational suffix
c. an inflectional prefix
d. a derivational prefix

11. What can be a root?
 a. a base
 b. a stem
 c. a word with any affix
 d. a word without any affix
12. Semantics studies----
 a. Meaning
 b. Words
 c. Sentences
 d. Sounds
13. /s/, /z/, and /ɪz/ are the --- of the plural morpheme in English.
 a. portmanteau morphs
 b. empty morphs
 c. zero morphs
 d. allomorphs
14. /t/ is a ---- consonant.
 a. voiced
 b. aspirated
 c. voiceless
 d. bilabial
15. /m/ and /p/ are ----- consonants.
 a. voiceless
 b. velar
 c. bilabial
 d. voiced
16. /p^h/ occurs word--- in English.
 a. finally
 b. initially
 c. medially
 d. initially and medially
17. The active articulator in the production of all vowels is the ----
 a. soft palate
 b. lips
 c. tongue
 d. hard palate
18. In the word 'herself' the primary accent falls on---
 a. 'her'
 b. 'self'
 c. both 'her' and 'self'
 d. neither 'her' nor 'self'
19. Words ending in -ity take the accent on the ----- syllable
 a. penultimate
 b. ante-penultimate
 c. first
 d. last
20. The accent on 'above' falls on the---
 a. first syllable
 b. second syllable
 c. both first and second syllable
 d. affix

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(PART-B : Descriptive)

Time: 2 hrs. 40 min.

Marks: 50

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

1. Discuss the terms root, stem, and base with examples. 10
2. Give IC analysis of the following sentences: 5+5=10
 - a) The hunter killed the tiger.
 - b) Anne is a clever girl.
3. Write short notes on the following: 4+6 =10
 - a) Signifier and signified.
 - b) Icon, Index and symbol.
4. Define free and bound morpheme and give examples. Identify the free and bound morphemes in the following words: 6+4=10
education, displacement, happiness, memories.
5. Transcribe the following sentences and mark intonation in them: 5+5=10
 - a) Time and tide waits for none.
 - b) Did you say snake?
6. Discuss the word accent rules in English with examples. What are the inflectional suffixes that do not affect the accent of the root? 6+4=10
7. Write short notes on the following: 5+5=10
 - a) Prefix and suffix.
 - b) arbitrariness
8. What is RP English? What are the vowels in RP English? Plot the 3+3+4=10 monophthongs in English in a vowel chart.

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