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**Fifth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, December 2022**

**First Degree Programme under CBCSS**

**English Language and Literature**

**Core Course IX**

**EN 1544 – LINGUISTICS AND PHONETICS**

**(2018-2019 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word a sentence.
1. What are bilabial consonants?
  2. The four parts of the roof of the mouth.
  3. Define a phoneme.
  4. What is register?
  5. What is sociolect?
  6. What is inspiration?
  7. What is a Releasing consonant?
  8. What is an allomorph?
  9. Who introduced the concept of signifier-signified relationship?
  10. What is a Free morpheme?

**(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)**

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

11. How are nasal sounds produced?
12. Active and Passive articulators.
13. Describe pulmonic egressive airstream mechanism.
14. What are Front vowels? Give examples.
15. The three criteria in description of vowels.
16. Write a paragraph on Received Pronunciation.
17. What are the two kinds of transcription?
18. Saussure's concept of signs.
19. How are plosives produced?
20. What is the difference between a phoneme and a morpheme?
21. Give the three term description of any two back vowels.
22. Discuss the phenomenon of phonological conditioning.
23. Linking/r/
24. What are syllabic consonants?
25. Write a short note on Juncture.
26. What are content words?

**(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)**

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

27. How are voiced and voiceless sounds produced?
28. The three basic types of intonation patterns.
29. The concepts of langue and parole.
30. Write a note on General Indian English.
31. Discuss Affixation.
32. Word Stress and Sentence Stress.
33. Syntagmatic and Paradigmatic relationships.
34. What are the basic assumptions of Structural Linguistics?
35. Contrastive and Non-Contrastive distributions.
36. Assimilation and Elision.
37. Lexical and Grammatical Morphemes.
38. Transcribe the following words phonemically, and mark stress :  
about    season    contain    accident  
natural    familiar    confidential    psychological

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

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

39. Describe the three systems involved in the production of speech sounds.
40. Discuss the classification and three term description of consonants.
41. Write an essay on word formation processes in English.
42. The differences between British and American varieties of English.

43. Discuss the limitations of traditional grammar according to the Structuralists.

44. Transcribe the following passage phonemically, marking stress and intonation :

Jim : Oh, what a beastly day.

Mary : There you are, grumbling again. What's gone wrong now?

Jim : What's gone wrong? Ask me what went right today.

Mary : You seem to be in one of your usual moods. Have a cup of coffee first and then tell me all about it.

Jim : No, thanks Mary. I've just had tea.

Mary : Did you go to the Provident Fund Commissioner?

Jim : No, I didn't see him. You see, I got up late this morning, because the alarm clock didn't go off. Because of that I missed the eight o' clock bus, I had to wait for ages before I got a taxi. When I reached his office it was ten and my appointment was for half past nine. I spent 1,000 bucks on the taxi and the whole visit was an exercise in futility.

Mary : Cheer up Jim. There's always a tomorrow.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**

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