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B.A. ENGLISH

Aspects of Language and Linguistics

(For those who joined in July 2024 onwards)

Time : 3Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

PART - A (10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

Choose the correct answer :

- CO:1 1. What kind of function is language?
K:1 (a) Pervasive (b) Interactional
(c) Arbitrary (d) Inciting
- CO:1 2. How many sounds are there in the English Language?
K:1 (a) 22 (b) 44
(c) 33 (d) 55
- CO:2 3. What sign system improves interpersonal communication?
K:1 (a) Natural (b) Letters
(c) Notational (d) Arbitrary
- CO:2 4. What is a minimal unit of meaning or grammatical function in a
K:1 word called?
(a) Morpheme (b) Phoneme
(c) Derivation (d) Affix
- CO:3 5. What does Form enable us to study in language?
K:1 (a) Substance (b) Auxiliaries
(c) Connectives (d) Syntax
- CO:3 6. What does language connect?
K:1 (a) Sound and lip (b) Letters and meaning
movements
(c) Thought and sound (d) Graffiti and speech

- CO:4 7. Which state does the theory of linguistic structure belong to?
K:4 (a) Dependent (b) Dangling
(c) Neutral (d) Independent
- CO:5 8. "Syntactic Structures" belongs to which sections?
K:2 (a) 5 (b) 8
(c) 3 (d) 9
- CO:5 9. Which is the marginal language that has no native speakers.
K:2 (a) Mandarin (b) Pidgin
(c) Maithili (d) Swahili
- CO:2 10. Illustrate a the bilingual country.
K:2 (a) England (b) Canada
(c) Russia (d) Ireland

PART - B (5 X 5 = 25 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Answer should not exceed 250 words.

- CO:1 11. (a) Construct a short essay on the origin of language.

K:3 **(OR)**

(b) Write a brief note on Onomatopoeia.

- CO:2 12. (a) Sketch a short note on Alphabetic writing.

K:3 **(OR)**

(b) Delineate Syllabic writing.

- CO:3 13. (a) Comment on the nature of Ferdinand de Saussure's
K:4 Structuralism.

(OR)

(b) Analyze Elision with examples.

- CO:4 14. (a) Examine the view of Chomsky on Structural and Lexical
K:4 meanings.

(OR)

(b) Discover the importance of linguistic theory.

- CO:5 15. (a) Compare and contrast Idiolect and Dialect.

K:4 **(OR)**

(b) Analyze the effect of Globalization on Multilingualism.

PART-C (5X8=40)

Answer ALL Questions choosing either (a) or (b).

Answer should not exceed 500 words.

CO:1 16. (a) Build an essay on the capacity of animals in communicating
K:3 with humans.

(OR)

(b) Identify the processes of word formation in English.

CO:2 17. (a) Write an essay on the emergence of writing.

K:3

(OR)

(b) Write an essay on General Semiotics.

CO:3 18. (a) Analyze Saussurian Structuralism.

K:4

(OR)

(b) Examine Morpheme constituents and structure of words.

CO:4 19. (a) Explain Phrase structure and its rules.

K:5

(OR)

(b) Assess the views of Chomsky on Syntax and Semantics.

CO:5 20. (a) Develop an essay about Pidgin and Creole.

K:6

(OR)

(b) Discuss the kinds of Bilingualism.