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English Language and Literature

**Part III : Paper V – PHONETICS, GRAMMAR AND HISTORY OF THE
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

I. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **80** words.

1. Voiced and Voiceless sounds.
2. Three Air-Stream Mechanisms
3. Basic Patterns in English.
4. Vowel Glides
5. Dialect
6. Fallacies of Prescriptive Grammar
7. Back Vowels
8. Interrogative sentences
9. Parts of Speech
10. Intonation

(5 × 4 = 20 Marks)

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II. (a) Give short answers for **ten** of the following, each in about **two** sentences :

1. What are Affricates?
2. What is Elision?
3. What is 'Linking r'?
4. What are homophones?
5. What is a syllable?
6. What is an active articulator?
7. What is a bilabial Sound?
8. What is a phoneme?
9. What is GIE?
10. What is Dark //?
11. What are cardinal vowels?
12. What is RP?
13. What are Emphatic Pronouns?
14. What is Phonatory System?
15. What is a Sociolect?
16. What is Phonetics?
17. What is concord?
18. Grammaticality and Acceptability
19. What is stress in speech?
20. What is Creole?

(10× 1 = 10 Marks)

(b) Rewrite any **ten** of the following as directed :

1. Climbing up the tree, he plucked some mangoes. (Change into a compound sentence)
2. The candidate had answered all the questions. (Change into the passive voice)
3. If you want, _____ (Fill in the blank using appropriate clause)

4. Chennai is one of the _____ (big) cities in India. (Use appropriate degree of comparison of the word in brackets)
5. I am right, _____ ? (Use the appropriate question tag)
6. Please convey my _____ (complements, compliments) to your brother. (Fill in the blank using the correct word from brackets)
7. He is a fool. He is a madman (Combine using either...or)
8. The postman came yesterday. (Rewrite the sentence beginning with *it*)
9. To smoke is forbidden. (Rewrite using the gerund form of the underlined word)
10. Manju said, "I want to become a doctor" (Change into indirect speech)
11. I bought _____ dozen oranges. (Fill in the blanks with suitable articles)
12. He is not illiterate (Rewrite using the opposite of the underlined word)
13. I want _____ write a letter (Fill in the blanks with correct preposition)
14. Each of the boys were given a fountain pen (Correct the Sentence)
15. We _____ (study) English for five years. (Use the correct tense of the verb in brackets).

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

III. Write short notes on any **five** of the following in about **80** words:

1. Scandinavian loans in English
2. The Bow-Wow Theory
3. Centum and Satem group of languages
4. Shakespeare's contribution to English Language
5. Back Formation
6. Ablaut and Umlaut
7. Bible translations and English

8. Impact of Reformation in English
9. Old English vocabulary
10. How is American English different from British English?

(5 × 4 = 20 Marks)

IV. Write an essay on any **one** of the following :

1. Give an account of the Germanic family of languages and show how English is related to the other Germanic languages.
2. Briefly discuss the three important periods in the history of English.
3. Give an account of the Great Vowel Shift. What is its importance in the history of English language?
4. Consider English as a universal language.

(1 × 20 = 20 Marks)

V. Transcribe the following passage phonemically and mark the stress :

Raju : Hello Jim, I am in trouble and I want you to help me.

Jim : Don't tell me you met with an accident.

Raju : I parked the car in front of the market and went to buy a few things. When I came back, the car wasn't there.

Jim : Let's go to the Commissioner's Office tomorrow morning.

(1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

VI. Transcribe any **ten** of the following words phonemically and mark the primary stress :

prosecute, language, exercise, arrive, society, debt, cat, author, recognize, paper, distance, nation, thin, use, mouth.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)