

**BA ENGLISH
FIRST SEMESTER
BASICS OF LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS
BEN-103**

**SET
A**

[USE OMR SHEET FOR OBJECTIVE PART]

Duration: 3 hrs.

Full Marks: 70

Time: 30 mins.

Marks: 20

(Objective)

1×20=20

Choose the correct answer from the following:

- 's'- in the English word 'players' represent a/an:
 - Inflectional suffix
 - Derivational suffix
 - Inflectional prefix
 - Derivational prefix
- The IPA symbol (ɛ) stands for:
 - Unrounded central close vowel
 - Unrounded front close vowel
 - Unrounded front open-mid vowel
 - Unrounded front open vowel
- The English word 'Sunglass' is an example of:
 - Blending
 - Backformation
 - Compounding
 - Acronym
- The branch which deals with the transmission of sound is known as:
 - Articulatory Phonetics
 - Auditory Phonetics
 - Transitory Phonetics
 - Acoustics Phonetics
- 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 /O/ involves a vibration of the vocal cords.
 - I is true but II is false
 - Both I and II are true
 - Both I and II are false
 - I is false but II is true
- 'net' is an example of:
 - Back clipping
 - Fore clipping
 - Middle clipping
 - Apocopation
- The number of syllables in the word 'bureaucratic' is:
 - One
 - Two
 - Three
 - Four
- IC analysis was proposed by:
 - Zelling Harris
 - Leonard Bloomfield
 - Rulon Wales
 - Ferdinand De Sassure
- In Structural linguistics, the procedure of grammatical analysis involving the major division with a syntactic construction at any level and analyzing into immediate constituents and further continuing the process until irreducible constituents are reached is called:
 - Tagmemic analysis
 - Systematic analysis
 - Componential analysis
 - IC analysis

10. Identify the 'preposition' in the following sentence:
'The Police beat the thief with a stick'
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| a. Thief | b. Beat |
| c. With | d. Stick |
11. The process word borrowing is known as:
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| a. Affixation | b. Loan |
| c. Clipping | d. Translation |
12. English language has been influenced by more than..... languages.
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| a. Three Hundred | b. Four Hundred |
| c. Five Hundred | d. Six Hundred |
13. Choose the right order showing the following language's influence on English Language.
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| a. French, Scandinavian, Greek, Latin | b. Scandinavian, Latin, Greek, French |
| c. Latin, Greek, Scandinavian, French | d. None of the above |
14. The word 'window' has been adopted in English from:
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| a. Greek | b. Scandinavian |
| c. Latin | d. French |
15.were the forefathers of the English people.
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| a. Normans | b. Jutes |
| c. Danes | d. Teutonic |
16. Which of the following is a French origin word?
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| a. Wine | b. Beef |
| c. Philanthropy | d. Wife |
17. The terms 'Alpha' and 'Beta' derived from.....
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| a. Latin | b. French |
| c. Greek | d. None of the above |
18. The history of the Anglo-Saxon period dates back to:
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| a. 550B.C-1055B.C | b. 400A.D-1100A.D |
| c. 610B.C-1066B.C | d. 410A.D-1066A.D |
19. Which of the following sets is not a Latin origin words?
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| a. Wine, cup, pea | b. Pepper, Pope, relic |
| c. Philosophy, sister, dinner | d. Candle, verse, script |
20. Lexicology is the.....
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| a. Study of the form, meaning and behavior of words | b. Study of the history of words |
| c. Study of speech sounds | d. None of the above |

(Descriptive)

Time : 2 hr. 30 mins.

Marks : 50

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

1. Despite being the global *Lingua Franca* across the world, English language is indebted to many languages for its richness----- Justify the statement. 10
2. Write short notes on *any two* of the following: 5+5=10
 - a) Loan word
 - b) Affixation
 - c) Anglo-Saxon Period
- Or
- Attempt a comparative analysis between the Greek and the Scandinavian influence on English Language. 10
3. Elaborately discuss the Latin Influence on English Language with reference to the three stages i.e., the *Pre Christian, Conversion into Christianity and the Revival of the 16th Century*. Discuss the various disciplines where English borrowed words/sounds from Latin. 7+3=10
4. In detail discuss the French influence on English Language. How did the English vocabulary storehouse got enriched after the Norman conquest? 5+5=10
5. Describe the central criteria required for describing vowel sounds in English. 10
- Or
- Examine the air-stream mechanism involved in the production of Human Speech sounds.
6. What is a syllable? Explain its important elements and draw structures of the following words: 2+2+6=10
Horrible, Exercise, Fearsome
7. Make IC analysis of the following sentences: 2×5=10
 - a) The father asked his son to pickup 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.
8. Phonetically transcribe the following: 2×5=10
Calamity, Childhood, Nationality, Wanted, Experience

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