

POST-GRADUATE COURSE

Term End Examination — June, 2022/December, 2022

ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING (Old Syllabus)

**Paper-III : THE PHONETICS AND PHONOLOGY OF ENGLISH &
MODERN ENGLISH GRAMMAR**

(Up to January 2021 Enrolment Session)

Time : 4 hours]

[Full Marks : 100

Weightage of Marks : 80%

Special credit will be given accuracy and relevance in the answer. Marks will be deducted for incorrect spelling, untidy work and illegible handwriting. The weightage for each question has been indicated in the margin.

SECTION – A

1. Answer any *two* from the following : 18 × 2 = 36
- a) Examine all categories of all consonants with examples according to the Place of Articulation.
 - b) Write a note on English stress pattern.
 - c) How would you distinguish between Prescriptive grammar and Descriptive grammar ? Does Descriptive grammar change with the change of time ? Give at least two examples from English. 9 + 9
 - d) "If a living language changes, grammar then the Dictionary of that language should also change". Comment on this statement.

SECTION – B

2. Answer any *three* from the following : 12 × 3 = 36
- a) (i) Fall-rise Intonation in English.
 - (ii) Voicing and Voicelessness
 - (iii) Aspirated and Unaspirated consonants. 4 + 4 + 4
 - b) (i) What is the role of the Soft Palate in producing a speech sound.
 - (ii) What is the distinction between Phonetics and Phonology ?
 - (iii) Difference between Plosive and Affricate sounds. 4 + 4 + 4
 - c) Draw Immediate constituent trees for the following sentences :
 - (i) The five princes married a pretty princess.
 - (ii) The boy munched the nuts.
 - (iii) A linguist is one who studies language. 4 + 4 + 4

- d) (i) What is a linking [r] ? Give an example from English.
 (ii) What is the difference between Phonetic transcription and Phonemic transcription ?
 (iii) Many Indian speakers (Bengali's in particular) cannot maintain a systematic distinction between long vowels and short vowels, like [i :], [I] or [u :] and [U]. What do you think are the reasons for it and what remedial measures would you suggest for this difficulty ?
- e) Analyse the VP structures of the following :
 (i) has been doing this very hardy job for the last couple of weeks.
 (ii) might have done it purposefully.
 (iii) are going to KOLKATA. 4 + 4 + 4
- f) Analyse the NP structures of the following :
 (i) The man on the bridge
 (ii) Elements of symbolic logic
 (iii) Those extremely intelligent men. 4 + 4 + 4

SECTION - C

3. Analyse any *four* of the following questions : 7 × 4 = 28
- a) Identify the syllables in the following words : 1 × 7
 (i) Dehumanization (ii) Enthusiastically
 (iii) Buildings (iv) Woman
 (v) Unhappy (vi) Goodness
 (vii) Unknowingly.
- b) What is a morpheme ? Compare the definition of the morpheme with that of the phoneme. 3 + 4
- c) What is Assimilation ?
- d) Attempt a phonemic transcription of the sentence, written below :
The boy is eating now some fruits
 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1
- e) Distinguish between Vowels and Diphthongs.
- f) Put the stress marks correctly : 1 × 7
 (i) Recent (ii) Phonology
 (iii) Examination (iv) Distinguish
 (v) Remuneration (vi) Protest (as a verb word)
 (vii) Mechanism.
- g) Mention what are unexploded plosives in English. Give two examples for each of the unexploded plosive.

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