

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

## SECTION A — (20 × 1 = 20 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

Choose the correct answer.

- \_\_\_\_\_ has been called the scientific study of language.  
(a) Grammar (b) semantics (c) linguistics (d) phonology
- Language is essentially a form of human \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) behaviour (b) Interaction (c) Understanding (d) Speech
- The \_\_\_\_\_ linguistics studies how a language works at a given time.  
(a) Diachronic (b) synchronic (c) La langue (d) La parole
- Phonetic symbols are necessary to ascertain the \_\_\_\_\_ of words.  
(a) Pronunciation (b) Spelling (c) Meaning (d) Syllable

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- A word with two syllables is a \_\_\_\_\_ word.  
(a) Monosyllabic (b) disyllabic (c) trisyllabic (d) Polysyllabic
- The way in which sounds influence each other is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Assimilation (b) Elision (c) Segmentation (d) Linking
- A minimal unit of meaning or grammatical function is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Phoneme (b) Morpheme (c) Allomorph (d) Affixes
- An affix which is incorporated inside another word is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Prefix (b) Suffix (c) Infix (d) Compounding
- Words formed from the initial letters of a set of other words are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Coinage (b) borrowing (c) compounding (d) acronyms
- A backformation favoured in Australian and British English produces forms known as \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Hypocorisms (b) clipping (c) conversion (d) blending

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- Received pronunciation often refers to \_\_\_\_\_ English.  
(a) Indian (b) American (c) British (d) Scottish
- There are \_\_\_\_\_ components in linguistics.  
(a) four (b) five (c) six (d) seven
- The study of speech sounds is \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Phonetics (b) Phonology (c) Morphology (d) Syntax
- Speech sounds during the articulation of which lung air escapes freely are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Vowels (b) Diphthongs (c) Triphthongs (d) Consonants
- To describe a vowel we take into account \_\_\_\_\_ criteria.  
(a) Three (b) Four (c) Five (d) Six
- A \_\_\_\_\_ is a vowel glide within a single syllable.  
(a) Diphthong (b) Monophthong (c) Triphthong (d) Semi-vowels

- The study of the meaning of words, phrases and sentences is called as \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Pragmatics (b) semantics (c) syntax (d) discourse
- The antonym pair is which one word mean the negative of another is called \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) Reversives (b) dyads (c) prototypes (d) collocation
- Semantic roles are identified in \_\_\_\_\_.  
(a) verbal phrase (b) noun phrase (c) adjectival phrase (d) adverbial phrase
- \_\_\_\_\_ meaning is conveyed by the literal use of a word.  
(a) Associative (b) conceptual (c) figurative (d) affective

## SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer the following. (Q. 21 – Q. 25 any THREE)

- Write a short note on synchronic approach to language.
- Describe the nasals.

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23. Write a short note on accent in compound words.

24. Write a short note on affixes.

25. Describe hyponymy.

26. Transcribe the following sentences : (5)

(a) A stitch in time saves nine

(b) The tragedies of Shakespeare.

27. Give a morphological analysis of the following sentences : (5)

(a) The girl is beautiful

(b) The dog followed the boy.

**SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)**

**Answer THREE of the following in 300 words each.**

28. (a) Write an essay on different kinds of linguistics.

Or

(b) Explain the organs of speech with a diagram.

29. (a) Describe the pure vowels.

Or

(b) Define morpheme and explain its kinds.

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30. (a) Define intonation and explain the kinds of intonation.

Or

(b) Write an essay on the seven types of meaning.

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