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B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2021 &

Supplementary/Improvement/Arrear Examinations

Sixth Semester

English

PHONETICS AND SPOKEN ENGLISH

(CBCS – 2017 onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 75 Marks

Part A

(10 × 2 = 20)

Answer **all** the questions.

1. What are passive articulators?
2. How are the organs of speech divided?
3. What are plosives?
4. What are front vowels?
5. Why are stress and intonation important?
6. How is accent different from dialect?
7. Write the phonetic transcription of 'grapes'.
8. What is rising intonation?
9. How does listening skill help in language proficiency?
10. How many speech sounds are there in English?

Part B

(5 × 5 = 25)

Answer **all** the questions, choosing either (a) or (b).

11. (a) What are the three main branches of phonetics?

Or

- (b) How are speech sounds in English classified? Give example.

12. (a) What are front vowels?

Or

- (b) Describe the manner of articulation of English consonant sounds.

13. (a) Write in the process of assimilation in English.

Or

- (b) What is rising and falling intonation?

14. (a) Give the phonetic transcription of- Goat, friend, life, sea, church.

Or

- (b) How does phonetic transcription help the language users?

15. (a) Give effective methods to improve speaking skills.

Or

- (b) Write a dialogue between traffic police and a person, who is new to the town?

Part C

(3 × 10 = 30)

Answer any **three** questions.

16. Draw and label the organs of speech.
17. What are the vowel sounds in English?
18. Describe the role of stress and rhythm in pronunciation of English.
19. Give the phonetic transcription of the following passage:-

Exercises are good for both physical and mental well being. When one exercises their body becomes agile and strong. Most of the diseases we have today are because of sedentary life style. We should spend some time for our health every day. It helps to keep the mind and body fit.

20. Comment on the growth and necessity of English.
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