

FIFTH SEMESTER BA DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022
(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)

ENGLISH
GENG5B09T: LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

Time: 2 ½ Hours

Maximum Marks: 80

SECTION A: Answer the following questions. Each carries *two* marks.
(Ceiling 25 Marks)

1. How is 'displacement' a unique feature of human language?
2. Define bilingualism.
3. Give two examples of 'elision' in English language.
4. What are allophones? Give an example.
5. Give the three-term label for /h/ and /n/.
6. What are consonant clusters?
7. Explain 'juncture' with examples.
8. What is IPA?
9. Transcribe the following words: *bleak*, *economy*, *bass*, *beautiful*.
10. Differentiate between voiced and voiceless phonemes.
11. Identify the bound morphemes in the following words: *shortened*, *sings*, *unnaturally*, *displacement*.
12. What are infixes? Give examples.
13. 'She is taller than me and is the prettiest girl in the class.' Identify the inflectional suffixes in the sentence.
14. What is the air-stream mechanism involved in the production of English speech sounds?
15. What are plosives?

SECTION B: Answer the following questions. Each carries *five* marks.
(Ceiling 35 Marks)

16. Write a short note on Psycholinguistics.
17. Differentiate between pidgin and creole.
18. Explain linguistic competence with examples.
19. Give brief descriptions of pitch and intonation.
20. What are cardinal vowels?

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21. Give a brief account of 'Affixes'.

22. What is the distinction between 'deep structure' and 'surface structure'? Give examples.

23. Transcribe the following passage:

Please call Indu. Ask her to bring these things with her from the store: Six spoons of fresh snow peas, five thick slabs of blue cheese, and maybe a snack for her brother Raju. We will go meet her Wednesday at the train station.

SECTION C: Answer any two questions. Each carries ten marks.

24. What are the different theories related to the origin of language?

25. Describe the various organs of speech.

26. Give a detailed account of the various word formation processes.

27. Write an essay on the interdisciplinary aspects of linguistics.

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)