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**FIFTH SEMESTER BA DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**
**(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. Define 'glottal stop'. Give one example.
2. State how many morphemes are there in the following words: (1) come (2) came
3. The incorrect division of words originally pronounced as one is called _____.
4. Give two allophonic variants of the sound /t/ using them in words.
5. How many syllables are there in the word 'splash'?
6. Explain 'consonant cluster' with a suitable example.
7. Define linguistics.
8. Who is a polyglot?
9. Distinguish between phonology and morphology.
10. Cite a case where the nucleus of the syllable is not a vowel.
11. What is the maximum number of arresting consonants that can appear in a syllable?
12. Differentiate between word stress and sentence stress.
13. Define phonetics.
14. What is ambiguity? Give an example of structural ambiguity.
15. Change into a compound sentence: *Being a cripple, he cannot ride a horse.*

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

**Write notes on:**

16. Prescriptive and descriptive approaches to the study of language.
17. The contribution of Noam Chomsky to the study of linguistics.
18. Differences between langue and parole.
19. Assimilation and Elision.
20. Hyponymy and polysemy.
21. Give an account on diphthongs and triphthongs.
22. Cardinal vowels.
23. Types of phrases.

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

24. Define language and examine the major theories related to the origin of language.
25. Attempt a classification of speech sounds with suitable examples.
26. Discuss the various methods of word formation in English.
27. Write an Essay on TG Grammar.

**(2 x 10 = 20 Marks)**