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**Master's Degree Examination – November 2018  
Semester I**

**Class: I PG  
Major: English**

**Time: 3 hrs  
Max. Marks: 60**

**17MENC05 Linguistics and Phonetics**

**Part A**

**Choose the Correct Answer**

**10x1/2=5**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ theory proposes an extremely specific connection between physical and oral gesture.  
a. Natural-sound      b. Oral-gesture      c. Divine source      d. glossogenetical
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is called the voice box.  
a. Pharynx      b. Larynx      c. Tongue      d. Lips
3. Syllabic division are marked by \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. hyphen      b. semi colon      c. colon      d. slash
4. The process whereby language is passed on from one generation to the next is described as \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. productivity      b. Cultural transmission      c. Duality      d. discreteness
5. The organs of speech are divided into \_\_\_\_\_ groups.  
a. two      b. three      c. four      d. five
6. The tongue and \_\_\_\_\_ are active articulators.  
a. the upper lip      b. the lower lip      c. velum      d. pulmonic
7. Consonants that are articulated with a stricture of close approximation are called \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. nasals      b. laterals      c. fricatives      d. velum
8. Which one of the following has 'triphthongs'?  
a. Mower      b. Boat      c. Savour      d. Reçeine
9. Number of pure Vowels in RP is  
a. 10      b. 8      c. 9      d. 12
10. Vowel is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the syllable.  
a. The assimilation      b. syntax      c. the nucleus      d. vowel

**Part - B**

**5x4=20**

**Answer the following in 200 words or one page**

11. a. Trace the development of English language.  
(or)  
b. Explain how the different kinds of speech organs function in the production of speech sounds in English.
12. a. Distinguish between Pidgin and Creole.  
(or)  
b. Write a short note on dialect.
13. a. Write paragraph on the description and classification of vowel sounds.  
(or)  
b. Describe the Articulatory system.
14. a. Write a short note on the semi-vowels.  
(or)  
b. Explain consonant clusters with examples.
15. a. Give a short account of the composition of syllable.  
(or)  
b. Give phonetic transcription of the following words:  
a. bicycle      b. clerk      c. epitome      d. gigantic      e. neither

**Part - C**

**5x7=35**

**Answer the following in 600 words or three pages**

16. a. Trace the origin of language.  
(or)  
b. Explain the different theories of the Origin of Language.
17. a. "Language never ceases to change; it is always in a state of flux".  
Explain and illustrate.  
(or)  
b. Enumerate the characteristics feature of Psycho Linguistics.
18. a. Attempt an essay on phonetics and phonology of English language.  
(or)  
b. Discuss the different places of articulation of consonants sounds.
19. a. Describe how the various kinds of speech organs function in the production of speech sounds in English.  
(or)  
b. Explain diphthongs and triphthongs with examples.
20. a. Enumerate the rules and conventions for the transcription of words in English language.  
(or)  
b. Write an essay on Consonant Clusters.

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