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## First Degree Programme under CBCSS

### **English Language and Literature**

#### **Core Course IX**

### **EN 1544: LINGUISTICS AND PHONETICS**

# (2018 Admission-Regular)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 80

- I. Answer all questions, each in a word or sentence.
- 1. Define Register.
- 2. What are semi-vowels?
- 3. What is semantics?
- 4. What is a morpheme?
- 5. What is Standard English?
- 6. What are Diphthongs?
- 7. The space between the vocal chords is called the ————
- 8. Who is a bilingual?
- 9. What are homophones?
- 10. What is Neurolinguistics?

 $(10 \times 1 = 10 \text{ Marks})$ 

- II. Answer any eight, each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.
- 11. What are syllabic consonants?
- 12. The fricatives in English.
- 13. Australian English.
- 14. What is a sociolect?
- 15. 'Sphota' in Indian linguistics.
- 16. Intonation.
- 17. Word stress in English.
- 18. Assimilation.
- 19. Competence and performance.
- 20. Centering diphthongs.
- 21. Transcribe the words 'Phone', 'go', 'lawn' and 'fuse'.
- 22. The Phonatory system.
- 23. Prescriptive and Descriptive grammar.
- 24. Mother tongue interference.
- 25. Plosives.
- 26. Juncture.

 $(8 \times 2 = 16 \text{ Marks})$ 

- III. Answer any six each in a paragraph not exceeding 100 words.
- 27. Psycholinguistics and sociolinguistics.
- 28. Falling and rising intonation.
- 29. Saussure's 'The linguistic sign'.
- 30. IC analysis.
- 31. Karaka theory.
- 32. Varieties of language with respect to region.

- 33. General Indian English as a distinct National variety of the English language.
- 34. Grammaticality and Acceptability.
- 35. Explain phase structure grammar.
- 36. What are the features of Tg grammar?
- 37. What are cardinal vowels?
- 38. Give examples to show how American English is different from British English.

 $(6 \times 4 = 24 \text{ Marks})$ 

- IV. Answer any two each in about 300 words.
- 39. How did the arrival of Noam Chomsky change the study of language?
- 40. Ferdinand de Saussure is rightly called the father of structural linguistics. Justify.
- 41. Describe the pure vowels of english RP.
- 42. Write an essay on word classes.
- 43. The ancient Indian linguists have played a pivotal role in exposing the nuances and prospects of language. Discuss.
- 44. Elaborate the different varieties of language.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$