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Fourth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, July 2018
Career Related First Degree Programme under CBCSS
2(a) English and Communicative English
Complementary Course
CG 1431 : HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND PHONETICS
(2015 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, **each** in **a** word or sentence :

1) Which are the two branches of Indo-European family of languages ?
2) 'To be or not to be', is a phrase contributed to English language by _____
3) _____ is the name given to words which are spelt differently but pronounced alike.
4) The verb 'edit' formed from 'editor' is an example for _____
5) How many phonemes are there in English ?
6) Diphthongs are also called _____
7) There are _____ syllables in the word 'remember'.
8) The way in which sounds influence each other is called _____
9) The patterns of variation of the pitch of the voice is known as the _____ of a language.
10) Which is the phoneme elided from the phrase 'next day' in colloquial speech ?

(10×1=10 marks)

II. Answer **any eight**, **each** in **a** short paragraph **not** exceeding **50** words.

11) Write any two features of human language.
12) Which are the three important periods in the history of English language ?
13) What is a Portmanteau word ? Give example.

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14) What is meant by loan words ? Give example.

15) What is RP ?

16) What are bilabial sounds ? Give example.

17) What is an 'intrusiver' ? Give example.

18) Diphthongs.

19) Active articulators.

20) What is intonation ? Which are the different types of intonation ?

21) What is meant by Word Stress ?

22) Use of language lab. **(8×2=16 Marks)**

III. Answer **any six each** in **a** paragraph **not** exceeding **100** words :

23) Write a short note on the circumstances that led to the rise of standard English.

24) Different methods of word formation.

25) Three main air-stream mechanisms.

26) Phonatory system.

27) Approximants.

28) Progressive and Regressive Assimilation.

29) Open and Close Vowels.

30) Discuss English as a global language.

31) Transcribe the following words in phonemic script and mark stress.

a) Imagine

b) English

c) Holiday

d) Cat

e) Examination. **(6×4=24 Marks)**

IV. Answer **any two each** in about **three hundred** words :

32) Write an essay on the descent of English Language.

33) Write an essay on the growth of vocabulary in English Language.

34) Briefly discuss the organs of speech and speech mechanism.

35) Transcribe the following phonemically and mark sentence stress :

John : Jim, What are you doing here ?

Jim : John, I am in trouble.

John : Tell me, What's your trouble ?

Jim : I met with an accident in the morning. I was in the hospital.

John : What bad luck !

Jim : Will you come with me to Police Commissioner's Office ?

John : Why not ? **(15×2=30 marks)**