

THIRD SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2015
(CUCBCSS—UG)

Core Course—Functional English
FEN 3B 04—APPLIED PHONETICS

Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

Answer the following bunches of questions :—

- 1 (a) The soft palate is also called _____.
(velum, larynx, pharynx)
- (b) The initial sound in the English word 'live' is a _____.
(plosive, lateral, semi-vowel)
- (c) Speech sounds are broadly divided into _____ categories.
(two, three, four)
- (d) When _____ are produced there is intermittent closure.
(trills, affricates, laterals)
- 2 (a) /j/ is a _____.
(vowel, semi-vowel, diphthong)
- (b) /i/ is a _____ vowel.
(front, back, central)
- (c) _____ is also called a vowel glide.
(Approximant, Diphthong, Semi-vowel)
- (d) Phonetics is a branch of _____.
(Stylistics, Linguistics, Phonology)
- 3 (a) The _____ of the tongue is involved in the production of front vowels.
(tip, blade, front)
- (b) _____ are produced with a stricture of complete oral closure.
(Nasals, Plosives, Fricatives)
- (c) Cardinal vowels belong to _____ language.
(English, French, no)
- (d) / _____ / is a rounded vowel.
(i, u, e)

(12 × 1 = 12 marks)

Turn over

II. Answer any *nine* of the following in two or three sentences each :—

- 4 What is Phonetics ?
- 5 Air- stream mechanisms.
- 6 The Phonatory system.
- 7 Retroflex sounds.
- 8 Three term label.
- 9 The lips.
- 10 Pitch.
- 11 Voiced sounds.
- 12 Central vowels.
- 13 Nasals.
- 14 Consonant clusters.
- 15 Stress-timed rhythm.

(9 × 2 = 18 marks)

III. Answer any *six* of the following in about 100 words each :—

- 16 Cardinal Vowels.
- 17 Stress.
- 18 Front vowels in English.
- 19 Place of articulation.
- 20 Diphthongs.
- 21 Intonation.
- 22 Stricture.
- 23 Phonology.
- 24 The Syllable.
- 25 Approximants.

(6 × 5 = 30 marks)

IV. Write an essay on any *one* of the following in about 400 words :—

- 26 Organs of Speech.
- 27 Classification of consonants.

(1 × 10 = 10 marks)

V. Transcribe the following words/passage/dialogue phonemically marking primary stress :—

- 28 Examination, Protect, Capital, Father.

(4 × ½ = 2 marks)

29 Political agitations have become so much a part of campus life these days that it seems part of the curriculum. Every other day there is some disturbance or the other on the campus over some political issue. Gone are the days of the serene and meaningful Gurukula system of the good old times. Politics has always played a vital role in man's life ever since he started living in organized groups. As a responsible citizen, he has every right to know who is governing him, how and why.

(1 × 4 = 4 marks)

30 *Anupam* : Good morning, sir. May I come in ?

Principal : Good morning, come in, please.

Anupam : I'm Anupam, father of Praveen of Final Year B.A. Economics.

Principal : Please sit down. What can I do for you ?

Anupam : It's this letter from your office.

Principal : (After checking the matter from the office) I'm sorry we didn't send such a letter.

When did you receive it ?

Anupam : Yesterday.

Principal : Oh, yesterday was April first.

(1 × 4 = 4 marks)