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FOURTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL/MAY 2015
(UG-CCSS)

Core Course—Functional English
FE 4B 06—APPLIED PHONETICS

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 20 Weightage

I. Answer the following bunches of questions :—

- 1 (a) There are _____ types of airstream mechanisms.
(two, three, four)
- (b) _____ is the study of speech sounds.
(Semantics, Linguistics, Phonetics)
- (c) The branch of linguistics dealing with the organization of speech sounds is _____.
(Phonology, Phonetics, Phonotactics)
- (d) /K/ is a _____ sound.
(Alveolar, velar, dental)
- 2 (a) There are _____ nasal sounds in English.
(Two, three, four)
- (b) /i/ is a _____ vowel.
(Front, back, central)
- (c) In the word 'texts' there is/are _____ syllable(s).
(One, two, three)
- (d) /ð:/ is a _____ vowel.
(front, back, central)
- 3 (a) _____ is a rounded vowel.
(/e/, /æ/, /ɔ/)
- (b) The _____ of the tongue is involved in the production of front vowels.
(back, tip, front)
- (c) Consonants are described using a _____ term label.
(Three, four, five)

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- (d) _____ is the variant of a phoneme.
(Phone, Allophone, Allomorph)

(3 × 1 = 3 weightage)

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

- 4 What is linguistics ?
- 5 The respiratory system.
- 6 The larynx.
- 7 Fricatives.
- 8 Active articulators.
- 9 Syllable.
- 10 Back vowels. .
- 11 Dental sounds.

(6 × 1 = 6 weightage)

III. Write short notes on any *three* of the following in about 100 words each :—

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| 12 Place of articulation. | 13 Plosives. |
| 14 Intonation. | 15 Alveolar sounds. |
| 16 Nasals. | |

(3 × 2 = 6 weightage)

IV. Transcribe the following words phonemically marking primary stress :—

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| (a) Consonant. | (b) Vowel. |
| (c) Phoneme. | (d) Intonation. |

(4 × ¼ = 1 weightage)

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

English is spoken as the first language in several countries in the world like England, Scotland, Ireland, America, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand. Just like the Tamil spoken in India differs from the Tamil spoken in Sri Lanka, the English spoken in England differs a great deal from the English spoken in the U.S.A.

(1 × 2 = 2 weightage)

VI. Transcribe the following dialogue phonemically marking primary stress :—

Mary : Cheer up Jim. May be it was one of those days when nothing goes right. There's always a tomorrow.

Jim : No, I met the Commissioner's secretary and my next appointment is for the 18th November.

Mary : That's real bad luck, isn't it Jim ? Doesn't matter. Something will turn up.

(1 × 2 = 2 weightage)