

BACHELOR'S DEGREE (C.B.C.S) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2025
2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 ADMISSIONS SUPPLEMENTARY
SEMESTER IV - CORE COURSE (ENGLISH)
EN4B06B18 - Language and Linguistics

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 80

Part A

I. Answer any Ten questions. Each question carries 2 marks**(10x2=20)**

1. Explain tense and lax vowels.
2. What are closing diphthongs?
3. What are fricatives?
4. Explain laterals sounds.
5. What is a Stem?
6. Explain an ablaut.
7. Describe allomorphs.
8. Describe affixes.
9. Who is regarded as the father of modern linguistics? Why?
10. Explain regional dialects.
11. Explain the terms signifier and signified.
12. Explain Diglossia.

Part B

II. Answer any Six questions. Each question carries 5 marks**(6x5=30)**

13. Write a short note on air-stream mechanism.
14. Differentiate between broad and narrow transcription.
15. Differentiate the following sounds - voiced, voiceless and nasal.
16. Distinguish between class changing and class maintaining derivational affixes in English.
17. Analyse the concepts of Deep Structure and Surface Structure.
18. Describe the process of Conversion.
19. Write short notes on deep structure and surface structure.
20. Discuss the significance of pidgins.
21. TG Grammar is 'transformational' and 'generative'. Explain.

Part C

III. Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 15 marks**(2x15=30)**

22. a) Transcribe the following words marking primary stress
valet, village, tomorrow, merchant, forgive, explain, insult (v)

b) Transcribe the following passage marking sentence stress.

John: Hello Mary! Long time no see!

Mary: Hi John. Good to see you! Been busy with work.

John: Will you be attending Jane's wedding this Saturday?

Mary: Not sure yet. Will surely try and come.

John: Ok! See you then. Take care.

23. Comment on the relevance of Morphology in the English Language .
24. Analyse the difference between Inflectional morphemes and Derivational morphemes with examples.
25. Discuss the various sociolinguistic phenomena which arise when different linguistic communities come in contact.