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B.A. DEGREE (C.B.C.S.S) EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2014 FIRST SEMESTER – COMPLEMENTARY COURSE FOR B.A. FRENCH CE1IPCE- INTRODUCTION TO PHONETICS AND CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH

Time: 3 Hours Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

All questions are compulsory in this section.

Answer each in a sentence.

Each question carries 1 mark.

- 1. Define onomatopoeia
- 2. What is an isogloss?
- 3. What do you mean by slang?
- 4. Define acoustic phonetics
- 5. What are active articulators?
- 6. Define bilabial sounds
- 7. Give two examples for disyllabic words
- 8. What do you mean by denotative meaning?
- 9. Define Kinesics
- 10. Name the lateral consonant in English RP

(10x1=10)

Part B

Answer any eight of the following, each in two or three sentences.

Each carries 2 marks

- 11. Define the duality of structure of a language
- 12. What are the suprasegmental features of English language?
- 13. Define register
- 14. What is phonotactics?
- 15. Explain juncture
- 16. Define linking / r /
- 17. Define nasalized sounds?

- 18. List any two ways of making suggestions
- 19. Define phonemes
- 20. Describe the consonant clusters in English language
- 21. The phonatory system
- 22. Define minimal pairs

(8x2=16)

Part C

Answer any six of the following in not more than 100 words Each carries 4 marks

- 23. Explain diphthongs
- 24. Standard English
- 25. Define dialects
- 26. What is meant by non- verbal communication?
- 27. Define allophones
- 28. Explain the semi-vowels?
- 29. What are plosives?
- 30. Explain the classification of vowels according to the height to which the tongue is raised
- 31. Distinguish between Phonetics and Phonology

(6x4=24)

Part D

Answer any two in the form of essays, in about 200 words Each carries 15 marks

(2x15=30)

- 32. Prepare a dialogue for the following situations:
 - a) You are at the bookshop to buy some children's story books. Develop a conversation with the shopkeeper
 - b) You were unable to attend the wedding of your cousin. Apologize to her when you meet her later
- 33. Prepare a speech on the influence of media on youth.
- 34. Explain in detail the characteristics of language
- 35. Write an essay on the classification of consonants according to the points of articulation.