

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2023
(First Semester)

Branch -ENGLISH

THE STUDY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	What is the language mentioned below is related to the family to which English belongs? a) Swahili b) Tibetan c) Gothic d) Chinese	K1	CO1
	2	Choose the term which refers to the effect on the language during old English period? a) inflectional ending b) front mutation c) back mutation d) elongation of vowels	K2	CO2
2	3	Name the type of word formation in which the word is made shorted by removing one or more syllables? a) borrowing b) clipping c) blending d) lending	K1	CO2
	4	Which branch deals with the kind of inferences that are made from the sentences? a) semantics b) syntax c) phonology d) pragmatics	K2	CO3
3	5	Define the relationship between the words - tin and din. a) disyllabic words b) bilabials c) minimal pairs d) allophones	K1	CO2
	6	In the word "fuller", /r/ is pronounced as a ----- sound. a) retroflex b) palatal approximant c) glottal d) velum	K2	CO2
4	7	Which among the following belongs to "lexical morphemes?" a) pronouns b) adverbs c) conjunctions d) articles	K1	CO3
	8	Who proposed TG grammar? a) John Catford b) Noam Chomsky c) David Crystal d) Saussure	K2	CO3
5	9	What is the speech of an individual known as in Linguistics? a) dialect b) sociolect c) idiolect d) diglossia	K1	CO5
	10	From which language did the word "spaghetti" come into English? a) German b) Spanish c) Dutch d) Italian	K2	CO5

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SECTION - B (35 Marks)Answer **ALL** questions**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** Marks

(5 × 7 = 35)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	11.a.	Outline the features of Middle English.	K2	CO1
		(OR)		
	11.b.	Interpret the background for the evolution of "Standard English".		
2	12.a.	Examine foreign influence and colonial expansion contributed to the vocabulary of English language.	K3	CO3
		(OR)		
	12.b.	Analyze the following with examples: 1. Metonymy 2. Hyponymy 3. Polysemy.		
3	13.a.	Distinguish between monophthongs and diphthongs.	K3	CO2
		(OR)		
	13.b.	Classify the role of stress, intonation rhythm and accent in speech.		
4	14.a.	Inspect the various components of Traditional grammar.	K4	CO4
		(OR)		
	14.b.	List out the transformational rules in grammar.		
5	15.a.	Evaluate the process of Second language acquisition.	K4	CO5
		(OR)		
	15.b.	Appraise the relationship between Gender and Language.		

SECTION -C (30 Marks)Answer **ANY THREE** questions**ALL** questions carry **EQUAL** Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	16	Illustrate the various types of usages and varieties of contemporary English.	K4	CO1
2	17	Examine the ways in which the change of meaning happened to the words of English?	K4	CO3
3	18	Categorize the various speech organs involved in the production of speech sounds in English with a diagram.	K4	CO2
4	19	Discover the rules of IC analysis with an elaborate demonstration of dissecting a sentence.	K5	CO4
5	20	Estimate the role and importance of English in the 21 st century.	K5	CO5

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