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Practice Paper of MEG-04

Aspects of Language

Section A: Short Notes (Answer any two)

Q:1 Cardinal Vowels: Explain the concept of cardinal vowels and their significance in phonetics.

Q:2 Bilingualism: Discuss the types of bilingualism and its effects on language acquisition.

Q:3 Co-operative Principle: Describe Grice's Co-operative Principle and its maxims in conversational implicature.

Q:4 Blends: Define blends in word formation with examples.

Q:5 Saussure's Concept of Linguistic Sign: Explain the components of Saussure's linguistic sign and their interrelation.

Section B: Descriptive Questions

Q:6 Human vs. Animal Communication: Discuss the differences between human and animal communication systems. Elaborate on how and why language originated.

Q:7 Consonant Phonemes: Describe with examples the main categories of the consonant phonemes of English.

Q:8 English Spelling System: Outline the history of changes in the English spelling system.

Q:9 Syntactic Constituents: Describe briefly the tests used in identifying a syntactic constituent. Illustrate any two.

Q:10 Learner Factors in Language Acquisition: Discuss the major learner factors in language acquisition.

Q:11 Language Planning: Why is language planning essential? What are the different types of language planning?

Q:12 Binding Theory: What is the Binding Theory? Discuss its principles with reference to anaphors, pronominals, and other bound elements.

Q:13 Morpheme Classification: How do we classify morphemes in English? Explain with examples to draw the distinction between (a) Free and bound and (b) Grammatical and lexical.

Q:14 English Vowels: Describe the English vowels and explain how they are different from consonants.

Q:15 Standardization Process: Explain the process of standardization with reference to the consequences of implementing this process.