



I. Say whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F): (3 x 10 = 30)

1. A language is a system of arbitrary vocal symbols used for human communications. T/F
2. Language is basically writing produced by oral-auditory symbols. T/F
3. The combination <d.e.e.p> joins to form a meaningful word 'deep' in English. T/F
4. MOA is an abbreviation that refers to Place of Articulation. T/F
5. The general study of Language is organizationally structured at five levels. T/F
6. /m/ and /n/ represent nasal phonemes in English, Arabic and other human languages. T/F
7. Standard Arabic is a variety of Arabic used in writing and in most formal speech. T/F
8. The IPA is an abbreviation that refers to the International Phonetics Alphabet. T/F
9. The only difference between /s/ and /z/ is voicing. T/F
10. The vocal tract is the part of our body through which air passes during speech. T/F

II. Use the following five terms: ((i) Specialization, (ii) Discreteness, (iii) Interchangeability, (iv) Arbitrariness, and Productivity (v)) to complete the following statements properly. (6x5=30)

1. _____ means that there is no natural relationship between a token and its content.
2. _____ refers to all members of the species that can send and receive messages.
3. _____ refers to the new messages on any topic that can be produced at any time.
4. _____ refers to the communicative system that serves to communicate.
5. _____ refers to the communication system that consists of isolatable, repeatable units.

III. Define briefly any THREE of the following topics. (3 x 10 = 30)

1. Phonetics (OR) Phonology
2. IPA (OR) VPM (OR) SE (OR) SA (OR) SL
3. Morphology (OR) Syntax
4. Language (OR) Linguistics
5. POA (OR) MOA
6. Phonemes
7. Semantics (OR) Pragmatics
8. Communication vs. Language

IV. Write short notes on any TWO of the following topics: (2 x 15 = 30)

1. Human Language (OR) Human Communication
2. Standard English (OR) Standard Arabic
3. Why do people study language?
4. A Phoneme (OR) Syllables
5. Any Two Definitions of Language
6. What is Language?
7. General Study of Language
8. Phonology (OR) Prosody

V. Write an essay on any ONE of the following topics: (1 x 30 = 30)

1. Structure of Language
2. Phonetics
3. English Phonology
4. Human Communication and Human Language
5. Standard Language, Standard English & Standard Arabic
6. Human Language vs. Animal Communication

☺ Best wishes! ☺

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