

Bago University
Department of English
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Second Year (B.A)

Eng: 2103

English Specialization

English Language Studies-1:Linguistics &Phonetics

Time Allowed: (3) hours

Section A: Linguistics

Answer **ANY THREE** questions from this section.

1. Describe **TWO** of the important characteristic features of human languages: (a) Duality of patterning and (b) Creativity in detail.
2. Language is connected with brain functions. If so, how do human beings acquire the knowledge of psycho-linguistics?
3. The term “**dialect**” means a variety of a language used by the people of a specific area, class, district, or any other group of people. Elaborate.
4. Speech and writing are the two basic manifestations of language. Explain with examples.

Section B: Phonetics

Answer **ANY THREE** questions from this section.

5. What are three main branches of phonetics? Explain any **TWO** of them.
6. Explain the classification of consonant sounds with examples.
7. Describe the air-stream mechanism used in speaking English.
8. English Oral sounds and Nasal sounds are characterized by airflow. Explain it briefly.
