

University of Nigeria, Nsukka School of General studies, the use of English Unit  
2011/2012 GSP 101 First Semester Examination

Answer all the questions. Complete the following space in order to provide your personal data:

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Insert this question paper and your class admit card inside your answer booklet at the end of the examination.

1. The smallest unit of speech that can be used to make one word different from another word is called \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The three distinct uses of language according to Kernerling are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Name the four language skills you know. Which of them is considered to be the prior skill in language acquisition?
4. Mention two advantages of displacement as a function of language.
5. List two important factors that made the introduction of language possible in Nigeria.
6. What four reasons do you think make a good dictionary a biography of words?
7. When one applies the traditional rule of adding—ed to the present tense form of an irregular verb, he/she is encountered in \_\_\_\_\_, interference/problem.
8. The technical term which helps us to recognize and classify the ways in which languages differ as its use varies is known as \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The type of English spoken and written by the educated Englishman whose accent is not influenced by any regional variety is tagged \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Stylistic features that can be found against certain words in the dictionary include \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
11. Explain the following term (i) active vocabulary (ii) passive vocabulary.
12. Another name for secondary listening is \_\_\_\_\_.
13. Transitional listening is otherwise called \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Three major ways to make notes from text during private reading are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The speech organ which determines whether a sound will be voiced or voiceless in the English language.
16. Whereas there are \_\_\_\_\_ phonemes, there are \_\_\_\_\_ letters of the alphabet in the English language.
17. The following variables are taken into consideration when describing a consonant sound \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Verbal communication thrives on \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ rules.
19. Three levels of mental perception under which comprehension operates include \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
20. The reading technique which one employs when one wants to achieve maximum retention and recall is the \_\_\_\_\_ formula.
21. What is meant by evasive language in social communication?
22. Dyadic communication is defined as \_\_\_\_\_.
23. The term "references" is to APA, what \_\_\_\_\_ is to MLA.
24. Mention the two basic styles of documentation.
25. Making reference to the works of others in research writing is done in two major ways namely \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
26. Mention two features of long quotation.
27. When does a researcher use the term "SIC" in his/her research report?

28. Did you document your term paper before handing it to your lecturer? WHY? (give three reasons)
29. Write the correct spelling of each of the following words (i) questioner (ii) achievement (iii) accommodation (iv) pronunciation
30. Transcribe each of these words (i) people (ii) broom (iii) queen (iv) colour
31. Words such as psychosis, neurosis and depression are to be found in the register of \_\_\_\_\_ profession, whereas rituals, doctrines and intercessions are to be found in \_\_\_\_\_
32. Unfriendliness is an example of the English words formation process called \_\_\_\_\_
33. The two bilabial consonant sounds are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
34. The most distinguishing characteristic of man is \_\_\_\_\_

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First Semester Examination, 2013 – 2014 Session. Course Title: The use of English 1 & study skill  
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Time allowed: 1 ½ hours

Instructions:

This examination has two sections A & B. In section A answer 1 and any other sheet you may use to the booklet. Insert your official answer booklet before submitting to the invigilator at the end of the examination. Write the name of your lecturer on top of your answer sheet.

Section A (Essay question 20 marks)

Read the passage and answer the question below

I took a seat at the end of the hearthstone opposite that towards which my landlord advanced and filled up an interval of silence by attempting to caress the canine mother who had left her nursery and was sneaking wolfishly to the back of my legs, her lips curled up, and her white teeth watering for a snatch. My caress provoked a long guttural gnarl.

"You better let the dog alone," growled Mr. Heathcliff in unison, checking fiercer demonstration with a punch of his foot. "She's accustomed to be spoiled-not kept as a pet." Then, striding to the side door, he shouted again, "Joseph!"

Joseph mumbled indistinctly in the depth of the cellar, but gave no intimation of ascending; so his master dove down to him, leaving me vis-à-vis the ruffianly bitch and a pair of grim shaggy sheepdogs, who shared with her a jealous guardianship over all my movement. Not anxious to come in contact with their fangs, I sat still; but, imagine they would scarcely understand tacit insults, I unfortunately indulged in winking and making face at the trio, and some turn of my physiognomy so irritated madam that she suddenly broke into a fury, and leapt on my knees. I flung her back, and hastened to interpose the table between us. This proceeding roused the whole hive. Half a dozen four-footed fiends, of various sizes and ages, issued from hiding dens to the common center. I felt my heels and coat-laps peculiar subject of assault; and, parrying off the larger combatants as effectually as I could with the poker, and I was constrained to the demand, allowed assistance from some of the household in reestablishing peace. (culled from Bronte, *E. Wuthering heights*)

## Questions

1. Replace each of the following words, taken from the passage, with another word or phrase similar in meaning.
    - i. provoked
    - ii. intimation
    - iii. physiognomy
    - iv. fury
    - v. issued
  - b. What is been referred to as canine mother in the passage?
  - c. What other personified named did the writer give in it?
  - d. Using your skill of evaluation, would you say that the people narrator came to visit are friendly people?
  - e. Give three reasons to support your answer. (20marks)
2. Discuss the characteristic and functions of language which you learnt in this course. (20marks)
  3. Discuss four ways in which the use of English has been an advantage to Nigerians and four ways in which it have been a disadvantage(20mark)

## Section B

Attempt all question in these section for (30marks)

1. Consonant /p/ and /b/ can be describe as \_\_\_\_\_
2. Give the phonemic transcription of the following words(i) plumb (ii) queue (iii) chalk (iv)
3. *Write* and *rite* are examples of \_\_\_\_\_ while hand (of and animal) and hand of clock are example of \_\_\_\_\_
4. Who is the protagonist in the novel you read this semester? What is the major theme of the novel
5. The English sound system are divided into \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
6. Pure vowel are also called \_\_\_\_\_
7. Phrase reading is a technique for \_\_\_\_\_
8. Segmental features of English phonology include \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ while supra segmental feature are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
9. Intonation perform two basic functions \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
10. The structure of a term paper is made up of three major parts which are called \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
11. Four ways in which an individual vocabulary can be improve are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ -
12. Words in English language have intrinsic or inherent meaning, true or false?

Categorize the following sentences by variety

13. Governor chime has built a new *flyover* in the state capital.
14. My friend has paid for new *apartment* in London
15. Another name for transactional listening is \_\_\_\_\_
16. The goal of emphatic listening is \_\_\_\_\_
17. Consider the following words: chose only the wrongly spelt ones and rewrite them correctly (i) auxiliary (i) proffessor (iii) writting (iv) plumber (v) anouncement (vi) forward

18. Four common varieties of the English language which you learnt in this course are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_)
19. Four common factors for poor or inefficient listening are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
20. Affixation processes include \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
21. At the level of meaning relationship, the words *table and chair* have \_\_\_\_\_ relationship
22. Four common problem associated with the use of English language in Nigeria are \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
23. Four element the distinguish diatypes are four \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
24. Another name for intensive reading is \_\_\_\_\_ extensive reading is \_\_\_\_\_
25. In preparing for an examinations, it is expected that the student should apply an technique often represented by \_\_\_\_\_ symbol
26. A style of documentation which relies heavily on the use of Latinate forms is \_\_\_\_\_  
Imagine that you quoted a book with the following bibliographical details in your term paper.  
Title of book: *democracy in Nigeria*.  
Author: James Brown  
Publisher: Longman Nigeria Ltd  
Place: Lagos  
Year: 2010
27. Show how you will represent these in you bibliography or works cited
28. Of what use can the following parts of the book be to you as part of your study skills? (a) index of a book (b) glossary of book (c) appendices.
29. Word attack skills are \_\_\_\_\_ and it could include \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
30. In listening comprehension the term back channel is used to describe \_\_\_\_\_

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