

**PG-122**

**MAE-10/  
MEG-25**

**M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION —  
JANUARY 2015.**

**Second Year**

**English**

**SPOKEN ENGLISH**

Time : 3 hours

Maximum marks : 75

I. Answer any **THREE** of the following questions in  
about 50 words each. (3 × 5 = 15)

1. What are the types of air-stream mechanism?
2. Give three examples for Nasal Sounds.
3. Define – Stress.
4. Write a note on semi – vowels.
5. What is intonation?

II. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each.  $(3 \times 10 = 30)$

6. What is glottis? What is its role in speech production?
7. How are the consonants classified according to the place of articulation?
8. Define Accent and give examples?
9. How does phonetics help a speaker to master language skills?
10. What is Diphthong? Give four examples.

III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each.  $(2 \times 15 = 30)$

11. Explain the organs of speech with diagram.
12. Describe the mechanism of assimilation.

13. Give a broad phonetic transcription of the following passage and mark the stress whenever necessary.

George: I am in luck, Will, my Uncle has just sent me a letter from Japan, where he is on business, with some Japanese stamps. He knows I collect them and he often sends me foreign stamps, from the places he visits.

William: They look rather nice, Are you going to paste them in your album?

George: Yes here it is, I have got quite a nice collection now.

William: What a lot! French, Italian, Dutch, German, American, Turkish, you seem to have some from almost every country.

George: Oh! There are a lot I have not got yet, And some rare ones are very expensive, and cost pounds of money.