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HEC 103 INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION:(3 HRS)

INSTRUCTIONS

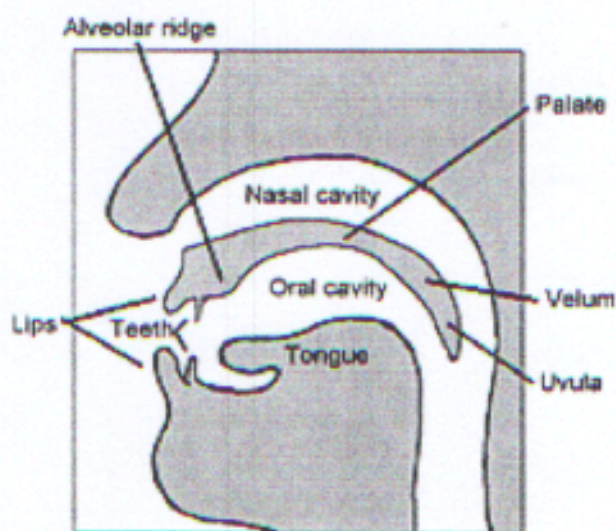
1. Answer any **THREE** questions.
2. Begin each answer on a fresh page.
3. Marks will be awarded for clarity of expression and language use.



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Question 1

Study the diagram of the human vocal tract below and answer the question which follows.



The Vocal Tract

Apply the three-tier system of describing consonant phonemes to describe the consonants produced at any **four** points indicated in the diagram above.

[20 marks]

Question 2

Describe the tongue and the palate in terms of their sub-divisions and then explain their functions in speech production. In your answer refer to the specific sounds produced with the action of the tongue and the palate.

[20 marks]

Question 3

Using **five** appropriate examples, explain how the description of vowels fundamentally differs from that of consonants. **[20 marks]**

Question 4

Explain the extent to which an understanding of morphology and syntax is critical for anyone interested in linguistics. **[20 marks]**

Question 5

To what extent does the study of lexical and sentential semantics contribute to the broader study of language and meaning? **[20 marks]**

END OF EXAMINATION