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Question Bank - PEDAGOGY OF ENGLISH

Topic-wise Question Bank — Pedagogy of English

1. Aims and Objectives of Teaching English

- Elucidate the aims and objectives of teaching English as a second language. [10 marks]
- Objectives of teaching English at secondary level. [5 marks]
- Elaborate the place of English in the present school Curriculum. [10 marks]

2. Importance of English / English as a Skill Subject

- "English holds an important place in the present school curriculum in India." Justify. [10 marks]
- Explain the importance of English in a Multilingual society. [10 marks]
- English is a Skill subject. Discuss.
- Importance of English subject in the school curriculum.

3. Role of English in the Multilingual Classroom

- Explain the role of English language in a multilingual classroom. [10 marks]
- A Language teacher plays a very important role in a Multilingual classroom. Justify. [10 marks]
- "English has gained a significant position in a multilingual society like India." Justify. [10 marks]
- Role of English in a multilingual classroom. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]

4. Correlation of English with Other Subjects

- What is correlation? How would a teacher correlate English with History and Science? (Give two examples for each). [10 marks]
- Correlation of English with History and Science with suitable examples. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Correlation of English with science (any four examples). (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Correlation of English with Science and History. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Correlation between poetry and prose, with examples. [5 marks]

5. Language Registers

- What are language registers? Explain the different types of language registers. [10 marks]
- Concept of language registers. (attempt briefly, any one) [5 marks]

6. Narration / Story-telling Technique

- How would a teacher use the Story Telling Method to teach English prose? State its merits and demerits. [10 marks]
- Importance of Storytelling in the teaching of prose. (attempt any five, ~75 words) [10 marks]
- Discuss Narration with examples. [5 marks]

7. Techniques of Teaching English

- How would an English teacher use Dramatization as a technique to teach English language effectively? **[10 marks]**
- Elaborate the importance of dramatization and concept mapping as expository techniques. **[10 marks]**
- "Drama is an important means to facilitate experiential learning of English." Illustrate. **[10 marks]**
- Merits of using Dramatization in the teaching of English; Use of Dramatization, "Known to Unknown". (attempt any five, ~75 words)
- Explain the interactive techniques that contribute to language acquisition. **[10 marks]**
- "The Brainstorming technique promotes language acquisition in a free and flexible atmosphere." Elaborate. **[10 marks]**
- Why should an English teacher be skilled in using the Questioning technique? **[10 marks]**
- How would a teacher use the Questioning technique effectively in the teaching of English? **[10 marks]**
- How does questioning facilitate language learning? (attempt any five, ~75 words)
- Techniques of teaching English.
- Discuss the technique of: (a) Dramatization (b) Concept mapping (c) Brainstorming & questioning. (any one can come for 5 marks)

8. Communicative Approach

- Illustrate the Communicative Approach to language instruction. **[10 marks]**
- 'Communicative Approach ensures effectiveness in language teaching.' Explain the concept and process. **[10 marks]**
- Communicative approach is useful for teaching English. Explain using examples. **[10 marks]**

9. Evaluation, Assessment, ICT and CALL

- How has ICT revolutionized the assessment of English language? **[10 marks]**
- How does E-resources contribute to effective teaching learning of English? **[10 marks]**
- 'E-resources are accepted because of the ease of usability, readability, affordability and accessibility.' Justify with reference to teaching of English. **[10 marks]**
- "Assessment of language promotes greater acquisition of language skills." Justify with reference to the techniques of assessing listening and speaking skills. **[10 marks]**
- How is Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL) an important learning resource? Illustrate the different types of composition; how would a teacher ensure professional growth? (150-word answers) **[10 marks]**
- Significance of Computer Assisted Language Learning. (attempt briefly, any two) **[10 marks]**
- Importance of CALL (Computer Assisted Language Learning) in English language learning. (attempt briefly, any two) **[10 marks]**
- Role of CALL in the learning of language. (attempt briefly, any two) **[10 marks]**
- Discuss the tools of evaluating student's learning. **[10 marks]**
- Use of ICT in assessment. **[5 marks]**

10. Approach of Teaching

- Concept of inductive-deductive approach.
- Illustrate the Constructivist Approach to the teaching of English. **[10 marks]**

- 'Constructivist Approach promotes active learning and acquisition of language skills.' Illustrate with reference to the 7E's of constructivism. [10 marks]
- How does the Constructivist Approach ensure active and purposeful learning of English? [10 marks]
- Illustrate the use of constructivist approach in English language classroom. [10 marks]

11. Maxims of Teaching & Palmer's Principles of Language Learning

- Elucidate/ Illustrate Palmer's principles of language instruction with suitable examples. [10 marks]
- Use of any two Maxims of teaching English. (attempt briefly, any two) [5 marks]
- Discuss the different maxims of teaching. [10 marks]

12. Contribution of R. K. Narayan to English Literature

- Contribution of R. K. Narayan to Literature/English literature. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Activity: Do a review and present a paper on any one of R.K. Narayan's books.

13. Professional Development of an English Teacher

- "An English teacher should necessarily be a continuous learner." Explain with reference to the need and avenues for continuous professional development of an English teacher. [10 marks]
- "A language teacher has to grow professionally throughout his/her career." Justify with reference to various avenues of continuous professional development of a language teacher. [10 marks]
- "Effective language teachers constantly keep abreast of the developments in the profession." Explain. [10 marks]
- Elaborate the qualities necessary for an English teacher to ensure professional growth. What are the ways by which an English teacher could ensure professional growth? [10 marks]
- Discuss the need & Avenues of professional development of an English teacher. [10 marks]

14. Challenges Faced by an English Teacher / Language Difficulties

- 'Teaching of English in Indian classrooms is very challenging.' Elaborate. [10 marks]
- Ways to deal with language difficulties of learners. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Dealing with language difficulties of learners. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Challenges faced by an English teacher.

15. Classification of Academic Disciplines (Becher–Biglan Typology)

- Explain the classification of Academic Disciplines with regards to Becher-Biglan typology. [10 marks]
- Describe the Becher-Biglan typology for the classification of academic disciplines. [10 marks]
- Meaning of academic discipline. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- Short note on pure-hard/pure-soft/applied-hard/applied-soft classification.

16. Nature of Language

- Describe the nature of language. [10 marks]
- Nature of Language (any 5 points). (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]

17. Developing Speaking and Listening Skills

- "Proficiency of Speaking skills in English make learners adept at articulating in the language." Elaborate with reference to the significance of and activities for developing Speaking skills. [10 marks]
- "Language teachers must emphasize the importance of effective speaking skills among learners." Elaborate with reference to the significance of and activities for developing speaking skills. [10 marks]
- Elaborate the importance of and the activities for developing listening skills in learners. What are the ways by which an English teacher could develop listening skills in learners? [10 marks]
- Activities to develop listening skills in learners. (attempt briefly, any four) [10 marks]

18. Reference Skills and Reading Skills

- How would a teacher of English develop Reference skills in learners? [10 marks]
- Techniques to increase the speed of reading. / How would a teacher develop speed of Reading in students? (attempt any two / any five, 75 words) [10 marks]
- Difference between Silent and Loud Reading. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]

19. Teaching and Appreciation of Poetry

- How would a teacher enable appreciation of poetry among learners? [10 marks]
- Steps of Appreciation lesson. (attempt briefly, any four) [10 marks]

20. Teaching of Grammar

- How would a teacher make English Grammar more meaningful to learners? [10 marks]
- How would a teacher ensure effective learning of Grammar? [10 marks]
- Difference between functional and formal grammar. (attempt any five, ~75 words)

21. Teaching of Composition

- "Composition in English facilitates creative use of the language." Illustrate with reference to the types of composition. [10 marks]
- Compare and contrast Guided and Free Composition. [10 marks]
- Illustrate the different ways of developing English composition. [10 marks]
- "Teaching and Evaluation of English composition should be done such that it inspires learners to write creatively." Explain. [10 marks]

22. Psychological & Social Factors in Language Learning

- Elucidate the psychological and social factors that affect the learning of a language. [10 marks]
- "The principles of language learning facilitate the logical and psychological teaching of English." Justify. [10 marks]
- "Language is essential for the holistic development of an individual." Comment. [10 marks]
- Any five principles of learning a language. (attempt briefly, any two) [10 marks]
- "Physical and psychological factors could significantly affect the learning of a language." Justify. (attempt any five, ~75 words)

23. Library as a Learning Resource

- Describe the significance of Library as an effective language learning resource. [10 marks]
- "Library is an invaluable resource for the learning of English." Justify. [10 marks]

- "A library is indispensable for the teaching and learning of English vocabulary." Elaborate. [10 marks]
- Library as a resource for language learning / Library as a learning resource. (attempt briefly, any one/two) [5 marks]

24. Characteristics of an English Text Book

- Any five characteristics of an English text book. (attempt briefly, any four) [10 marks]
- Role of language in the Intellectual development of a learner. (attempt briefly, any four) [10 marks]
- Principles of the Communicative Approach in learning of English. (attempt briefly, any four) [10 marks]

Additional Short-Answer Topic Bank – 5 Marks

- Nature of language (any five points)
- Meaning of academic discipline
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- Correlation of English with Science (any four examples)
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- Library as a learning resource / Concept of language registers / Objectives of teaching English at secondary level (any one)
