

3. How and why do words change their meanings?
4. Elaborate some of the important ways in which new words are formed in English.
5. Write an essay on the evolution of Standard English.
6. Discuss some of the grounds on which American English strikes difference with British English.
7. Discuss the contribution of Shakespeare and Milton to the English language.
8. Write an essay on contribution of French and Latin to the growth of English vocabulary.
9. How do idiom and metaphor enrich the English language? Discuss.
10. Discuss the status of English in the Present Day world.

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Maximum : 100 Marks

Answer any FIVE questions.

ALL questions carry equal marks.

(5×20=100)

1. Give an account of the Germanic group of languages and the place of English in it.
2. Show how Verner's law is only an extension of the principle of Grimm's law.

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