

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS
MPhil Admission / Entry Test
(Sample Test)

Program:	MPhil Linguistics	Total Marks:	100
Candidate Name:	_____	Duration:	90 Minutes
Roll No.:	_____	Passing Marks:	50

Section A: Subject-Based MCQs (Linguistics) — 70 Marks

1. Which branch of phonetics studies the physical properties of sound waves as they travel through the air?
(a) Articulatory phonetics (b) Acoustic phonetics (c) Auditory phonetics (d) Impressionistic phonetics (e) Instrumental phonology
2. The smallest meaningful unit of language is called a:
(a) Phoneme (b) Morpheme (c) Allomorph (d) Lexeme (e) Grapheme
3. In X-bar theory, the head of a phrase determines its:
(a) Meaning only (b) Category (c) Phonological weight (d) Discourse function (e) Stress pattern
4. The study of literal, context-independent meaning of words and sentences is called:
(a) Pragmatics (b) Semantics (c) Syntax (d) Phonology (e) Discourse analysis

Section B: General Section MCQs — 30 Marks

Part I: English

Choose the correct sentence.

- (a) Neither of the students have submitted their assignment. (b) Neither of the students has submitted their assignment. (c) Neither of the student have submitted his assignment. (d) Neither of students has submit their assignment. (e) Neither the students has submitted their assignment.

Part II: Quantitative Reasoning

The ratio of boys to girls in a class is 3:2. If there are 30 students in total, how many are girls?

- (a) 10 (b) 12 (c) 15 (d) 18 (e) 20

Part III: Analytical Reasoning

If all Zorks are Plins, and some Plins are Trins, which statement must be true?

- (a) All Zorks are Trins (b) Some Zorks may be Trins (c) No Zorks are Trins (d) All Trins are Zorks (e) No Plins are Zorks