

BEGE -102

**Bachelor's Degree Program
(BDP)**

**ASSIGNMENT
(For July 2024 and January 2025 Sessions)**

**The Structure of Modern English
(BEGE 102)**



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THE STRUCTURE OF MODERN ENGLISH
Programme: BDP
Course Code: BEGE-102/ 2024-25

Dear Students,

You are required to do one assignment for the course ‘The Structure of Modern English’ (BEGE 102). It is a Tutor Marked Assignment (TMA) and carries 100 marks. It covers all blocks of the course. The TMA is concerned mainly with assessing your application and your understanding of the course material. It aims to teach as well as to assess your performance

Objectives: The main aim of this Tutor Marked Assignment is to test how far you have understood the course material and how well you can present it in your own words. This is an application oriented course. Therefore, our objective is to test your ability to apply the principles you have learnt to practical situations. The assignment therefore, is mostly an effort to evaluate your proficiency in the application of principles you have learnt. By means of this assignment we will be able to assess how far your practical skills have been developed.

Aims: This TMA is concerned mainly with assessing your application and understanding of the course material. You are not required to reproduce chunks of information from the course material but to apply the information you have acquired during the course of study. This assignment aims to teach as well as to assess your performance. Please ensure that you read all the units of the course. Do make points as you go along.

Instructions:

Before attempting the questions please read the following instructions carefully.

1. Read the detailed instructions about the assignments given in the Programme Guide
2. Write your Enrolment Number, Name, Full Address and Date on the top right corner of the first page of your response sheet(s).
3. Write the Course Title, Assignment Number and the Name of the Study Centre you are attached to in the centre of the first page of your response sheet(s).

The top of the first page of your response sheet should look like this:

	ENROLMENT NO.
	NAME:.....
	ADDRESS:.....
COURSE TITLE:.....	
ASSIGNMENT NO:.....	
STUDY CENTRE:.....DATE:.....	

4. Use only A4 size paper for your response and tag all the pages carefully.

5. Write the relevant question number with each answer.
6. You should write in your own handwriting.

7. **Submission:** The completed assignment should be sent to the Coordinator of the Study Centre allotted to you by 30th Sept, 2024 (if enrolled for the July 2024 Session) and 31st March 2025 (if enrolled in the January 2025 Session)

8. Please read the instructions given in your Programme Guide.

Now read the following guidelines carefully before answering questions.

GUIDELINES FOR TMAs

You will find it useful to keep the following points in mind:

1. **Planning:** Read the questions carefully. Go through the units on which they are based. Make some points regarding each question and then rearrange these in a logical order. And please write the answers in your own words. Do not reproduce passages from the units.
2. **Organisation:** Be a little more selective and analytic before drawing up a rough outline of your answer. In an essay-type question, give adequate attention to your introduction and conclusion. The introduction must offer your brief interpretation of the question and how you propose to develop it. The conclusion must summarise your response to the question. In the course of your answer, you may like to make references to other texts or critics as this will add some depth to your analysis.

Make sure that your answer:

- (a) is logical and coherent;
 - (b) has clear connections between sentences and paragraphs;
 - (c) is written correctly giving adequate consideration to your expression, style and presentation;
 - (d) does not exceed the number of words indicated in your question.
3. **Presentation:** Once you are satisfied with your answers, you can write down the final version for submission, writing each answer neatly and underlining the points you wish to emphasize.

You may be aware that **you need to submit your assignments before you can appear for the Term End Exams. Please remember to keep a copy of your completed assignment, just in case the one you submitted is lost in transit.**

Good luck with your work!

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Answer all questions in this assignment.

Section A

1. Write short notes on the following 5 × 4 = 20
a. Irregular verbs
b. Plosives
c. English diphthongs
d. Fricatives
2. Mark the primary stress in the following words. 5
a. Above b. Director c. Cinema d. Illegal e. Award
3. a. Write the phonetic symbols of the following vowel sounds represented by the underlined letter(s) in each of the following words (according to R.P.): 5
i. Book ii. Party iii. Could iv. Been v. Bought
- b. Write the phonetic transcription of the following words: 5
i. Poor ii. Played iii. During iv. Aerial v. Ointment
- c. Divide the following words into constituent morphemes:
i. Unconditional ii. Cleanliness iii. Disrepute iv. Influencer v. thoughtlessly 5

Section B

4. Write a short note on Affixes. 10
5. What is the rhythm of English speech? Discuss with examples. 10
6. What do you understand by the terms subordinate and coordinate clauses? Explain by giving five examples of each. 10
7. Explain the differences between explicit and implicit negation. Give suitable examples. 10

Section C

8. Fill in the blanks as directed:

5x2=10

- a. _____ book I am reading is about ancient history. (use an article)
- b. She _____ (dream) of going to Paris since she was a child. (use the correct form of the verb in brackets)
- c. The movie was great, _____ the ending was a bit predictable. (use an appropriate subordinating conjunction)
- d. The girl _____ bike was stolen is very upset. (use an appropriate relative pronoun)
- e. She _____ (finish) her homework before dinner, as she promised. (use the correct form of the verb in brackets)

9. Rewrite as indicated.

5x2=10

- a. This song is the most popular one on the radio right now. (Rewrite using positive degree)
- b. You like chocolate ice cream. (add a question tag)
- c. The traffic was heavy. We arrived late for the meeting. (Combine to form a single sentence)
- d. "What time does the movie start?" I asked Ravi. (Rewrite as indirect speech).
- e. The chef is preparing a delicious meal. (Rewrite using passive voice)