

Phonetics Fundamentals

Phonetics · Practice Test · 8 Questions

1. What is the primary focus of phonetics?

- A) The study of word meanings
- B) The study of grammar rules
- C) The study of speech sounds
- D) The study of sentence structure

2. Which branch of linguistics deals with the production of speech sounds?

- A) Phonology
- B) Semantics
- C) Syntax
- D) Articulatory Phonetics

3. The study of how speech sounds are perceived by the listener is called:

- A) Acoustic Phonetics
- B) Auditory Phonetics
- C) Phonology
- D) Morphology

4. Which of the following is a vowel sound?

- A) b
- B) p
- C) a
- D) s

5. A consonant sound made by stopping the airflow completely and then releasing it is known as a(n):

- A) Fricative
- B) Nasal
- C) Affricate
- D) Plosive

6. The International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) is used to:

- A) Represent written languages
- B) Transcribe speech sounds
- C) Translate words between languages
- D) Diagram sentence structure

7. Which part of the vocal tract is primarily used to produce most speech sounds?

- A) The stomach
- B) The nose
- C) The lungs and vocal tract
- D) The hands

8. The vibration of the vocal cords during speech production is called:

- A) Articulation
- B) Resonance
- C) Voicing
- D) Diphthongization