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Типовые задания для контрольной работы

#### THE THEORY OF LEXICOLOGY

- 1. Complete the statement by selecting the correct answer:
- "Thesaurus is ..."
- 1) a dictionary which records special terms, foreign words with explanations;
- 2) a dictionary when words are not arranged alphabetically but grouped by concepts expressed;
- 3) a dictionary which gives information about extra-linguistic information.
- 2. Complete the statement by selecting the correct answer:
- "Etymological doublets..."
- 1) words having the same source of origin;
- 2) words that came into different languages as a result of simultaneous borrowing from one and the same source:
- 3) words more or less similar in meaning and sound form appearing in a language as a result of borrowing from the same source at different times.
- 3. Select the definition for **descriptive Lexicology** as a branch of linguistics:
- 1) Lexicology which deals with the vocabulary of a language at a given stage of its development;
- 2) Lexicology which deals with the vocabulary of a language in the course of time;
- 3) Lexicology which deals with the general study of a vocabulary.
- 4. Complete the statement by selecting the correct answer:
- "The subbranches of Lexicology are..."
- 1) blending, reduplication, back formation sound imitation;
- 2) affixation, compounding, conversion, abbreviation;
- 3) etymology, semasiology, phraseology, word-building, lexicography.
- 5. Complete the statement by selecting the correct answer:
- "The characteristic feature of French borrowings is...
- 1) sk-combination
- 2) the suffix –tion–
- 3) the prefix –re–
- 6. Define the term "word" according to the given explanation:
- 1) A word is the association of a given sound pattern with a certain meaning;

- 2) A word is the basic unit of a language resulting in the association of a given sound pattern with a certain meaning and is capable of a grammatical employment.
- 3) A word is the basic unit of a language.
- 7. Select the correct answer:
- "Lexicography is a branch of Lexicology studying..."
- 1) the meaning of words and word equivalents;
- 2) the process of making up new words;
- 3) the theory and practice of compiling dictionaries.
- 8. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "**Denotation is...**"
- 1) conceptual content of a word;
- 2) stylistic value of a word;
- 3) diversity of meanings.
- 9. Who contributed much to the development of English <u>semasiology</u>:
- 1) Trudgill, Shweitser;
- 2) A.V. Koonin, N.N. Amosova;
- 3) Ogden and Richards.
- 10. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant: "The main criterion for the semantic classification of phraseological units is..."
- 1) the relations between the components and the whole phraseological unit;
- 2) the category of parts of speech;
- 3) the morphological criterion.
- 11. Who is considered to be the father of English lexicography:
- 1) N.Webster
- 2) Mac Millan
- 3) S. Johnson
- 12. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "A bound morpheme is..."
  - 1) a morpheme which coincides with a word-form of an independently functioning word;
  - 2) a morpheme which stands between a root and an affix;
  - 3) a morpheme which doesn't coincide with a separate word-form
- 13. Define the type of substantivation in the following paradigm:

### the poor, the unemployed, the accused, the rich

- 1) complete;
- 2) partial
- 14. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "American English is..."
  - 1) a dialect;
  - 2) a variant, variety of British English;
  - 3) a language
- 15. Define the synonymic dominant in the synonymic set glimpse -glance stare -look
  - 1) stare;
  - 2) glare;
  - 3) look
- 16. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "Semantic change is..."
  - 1) the process when an old meaning is completely replaced by the new one;
  - 2) the process when an old meaning can coexist in the semantic structure of the new one;
  - 3) the transference based on the association of similarity
- 17. Define the type of the following antonyms: useful useless, logical illogical

- 1) root antonyms;
- 2) derivational antonyms;
- 3) absolute antonyms
- 18. Define the type of semantic relations between the following homonyms:

storey – story, reign – rain, right - rite

- 1) homophones;
- 2) homographs;
- 3) homonyms proper
- 19. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "Glossary is..."
  - 1) the total number of words that make up a language;
  - 2) a dictionary of special terms found in a particular field of study with definitions;
  - 3) all the words used in the works of a particular author
- 20. Define the type of connotations in the following group of words:

snack - bite - snap - feast

- 1) evaluative;
- 2) expressive;
- 3) stylistic
- 21. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "Connotation is..."
  - 1) the conceptual content of a word;
  - 2) the situation in which the word is uttered, the social circumstances, the purpose of communication;
  - 3) the component of the lexical meaning which is capable to evoke or express an emotion
- 22. Define the type of semantic change in the following expressions:

## Downing Street, the White House, the Pentagon

- 1) elevation of meaning;
- 2) metonomy;
- 3) metaphor
- 23. Define the type of the following words in the English vocabulary:

## workaholic, lapjack, hittee

- 1) neologisms;
- 2) dialect words;
- 3) phraseological units
- 24. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "Conversion is..."
  - 1) a type of word-formation when a new word is formed by combining two or more stems;
  - 2) a type of word-formation when the word-forming means is the paradigm of the word itself;
  - 3) a type of word-formation when a new word is formed by combining root and affixes
- 25. Define the structural type of the following words:

#### heartache, handicraft, statesman

- 1) root words;
- 2) derivatives;
- 3) compounds
- 26. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "The main types of word-building are..."
  - 1) blending, back formation, sound imitation;
  - 2) affixation, composition, conversion, abbreviation;
  - 3) reduplication, sound interchange, shift of stress
- 27. Who is considered to be the father of American lexicography:
  - 1) Samuel Johnson;
  - 2) Noah Webster;

- 3) Nathaniel Bailey
- 28. Define the type of lexical abbreviation in the following words:

### prof (professor), ad (advertisement), exam (examination)

- 1) apocope;
- 2) syncope;
- 3) aphaeresis
- 29. Complete the statement by selecting the correct variant. "The root of a word is..."
  - 1) the paradigm of a word;
  - 2) the semantic nucleus of a word;
  - 3) the variant of one and the same morpheme
- 30. The famous American English dictionary by Noah Webster was published:
  - 1) 1808;
  - 2) 1818;
  - 3) 1828
- 31. The famous explanatory dictionary of the English language compiled by Samuel Johnson was published in:
  - 1) the 16th century;
  - 2) the 17th century;
  - 3) the 18th century

# Вопросы к зачету с оценкой

- 1. Lexicology as a branch of linguistics. The role of Russian linguists in the process of forming lexicology as a branch of linguistics. Connection of Lexicology with other branches of linguistics.
- 2. Free word combination and a phraseological unit.
- 3. A vocabulary as a system of lexical units.
- 4. Sayings and proverbs as a special type of phraseological units.
- 5. Linguistic methods applied in lexicology.
- 6. A word as a basic unit of a lexical system.
- 7. Etymology. Etymological characteristics of the English nominative units.
- 8. Abbreviations. The main types of abbreviations in present-day English.
- 9. Borrowings as a means of lexical nomination. Classification of borrowings according to the source of borrowings.
- 10. Semantic groups in Present-day English vocabulary.
- 11. English vocabulary seen through etymology.
- 12. Semantic change. The causes of semantic change. Types of semantic change.
- 13. Antonyms. Types of antonyms.
- 14. Words of Indo-European and Common Germanic stock.
- 15. Synonymy. Types of Synonyms. Euphemisms.
- 16. Archaisms, slang words and terms in Present-day English.
- 17. English lexicography. The history of English Lexicography.
- 18. Polysemy and homonymy in Present-day English derivational morphology.
- 19. The types of English dictionaries and their distinctive characteristics.
- 20. Semasiology.
- 21. Conversion as the main type of word-building. Conversion and substantivation.
- 22. Neologisms and professionalisms in Present-day English.
- 23. Elevation. degradation of meaning. Narrowing and broadening of meaning.
- 24. English in the USA, Canada.
- 25. The morphological structure of the English word.
- 26. English phraseology. Classifications of phraseological units.
- 27. Word-building system in Present-day English language.

- 28. Homonymy. Types of homonyms in Present-day English language.
- 29. Types of morphemes and their lexical meaning.
- 30. Affixation as the main type of word-building.
- 31. Minor types of word-building in English.
- 32. Types of phraseological units in present-day English.
- 33. Compounding. Compound words and free word combinations.
- 34. Conversion. The semantic relations between the conversed pairs of words.
- 35. Types of a word meaning (lexical, grammatical, lexico-grammatical, pragmatic).
- 36. Polysemy. Its linguistic reasons concerned nomination.
- 37. A word meaning. The ways to differentiate semantic components of a word (denotation, connotations).
- 38. Polysemy in Present-day English. The semantic structure of a polysemantic word.
- 39.Terminology.