

## Unit 2 - Week 1 : On Language

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How does an NPTEL online course work?

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## Assignment 1

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed.  
As per our records you have not submitted this assignment.

**Due on 2020-02-12, 23:59 IST.**

1) Initial, effortless and automatic learning is language acquisition.

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

2) Learning language is similar to other kinds of learning

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
False

3) Nobody speaks 'a language' and hence no society speaks 'a language'

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

4) Input is much larger than the output in language learning

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
False

5) Language evolution is a planned phenomenon

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
False

6) All human languages in the world do not have more than few dozens of sounds.

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

7) Learning to speak is intrinsic and innate

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

8) Language learning refutes the Stimulus response theory

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

9) A child becomes linguistically adult after the critical period (0-10 years of age).

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

10) Multilingualism can be used as a synonym for language

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

11) Innateness hypothesis is proposed by Noam Chomsky

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

12) Sentences can be infinitely long. This property of language unique to human system of communication is called -----.

1 point

- Recursiveness  
 Creativity  
 Arbitrariness  
 Duality

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
Recursiveness

13) LAD consists of Universal grammar

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

14) Language is a unique human capacity. The statement is

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True

15) Language is much more than a system of communication. The statement is

1 point

- True  
 False

No, the answer is incorrect.  
Score: 0

Accepted Answers:  
True