

## HISTORY OF ENGLISH

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**SEMINAR 1**  
**ENGLISH AS A GERMANIC LANGUAGE**  
**SPECIFIC FEATURES OF GERMANIC LANGUAGES**  
*Points for Discussion*

1. Place of Germanic languages among other IE Languages and their classification.
2. The Comparative method. Its founders and basic notions. The concept of PG. Old Germanic languages. Pliny's classification of the Germanic tribes. \*
3. Specific features of Germanic languages.
  - a/ Word stress;
  - b/ Changes in PG phonology.
    - Changes within the system of PG consonants: Grimm's Law, Verner's Law;
    - Changes within the system of PG vowels: the Germanic Vowel Shift.Germanic Fracture.
  - c/ Morphological structure of the PG word.
  - d/ Changes in PG morphology.
    - Noun Declensions;
    - Strong and Weak Declensions of Adjectives;
    - Strong and Weak Verbs.
  - e/ PG Vocabulary.

**SEMINAR 2**  
**OE PERIOD. OE PHONOLOGY**  
*Points For Discussion*

1. Chronological division in the History of English.\*
2. Main historical events of the OE period. \*
3. OE Dialects. \*
4. OE alphabets and written records. \*
5. Rules of reading.
6. Word stress.
7. OE Vocalic System. General characteristics. IE, PG and OE vowel systems compared.
  - 1/ Qualitative changes:
    - a) A-splitting;
    - b) I-umlaut (Palatal mutation);
    - c) Formation of OE diphthongs: OE Breaking, Palatal diphthongization, Velar mutation (Back mutation), Contraction. Germanic reflexes.
  - 2/ Quantitative changes:
    - a) lengthening due to rejection of consonants;
    - b) lengthening before consonant clusters.
  - 3/ Development of vowels in unstressed positions.
8. OE consonant system. General characteristics.
  - a) Palatalization;
  - b) Assibilation;
  - c) Assimilation;

- d) Metathesis;
- e) Change of consonant groups;
- f) Loss of consonants;
- g) Shortening of long consonants in the final position;
- h) West Germanic gemination of consonants.

### **SEMINAR 3**

#### ***OE MORPHOLOGY. NOMINAL PARTS OF SPEECH***

##### ***Points For Discussion***

1. General characteristics of OE Grammar.
2. The Structure of the word in OE as compared with Early PG.
3. The Noun.
  - 1/ Grammatical categories of OE Nouns.
  - 2/ Noun declensions.
4. The Adjective.
  - 1/ Grammatical categories of OE Adjectives.
  - 2/ Strong and weak declensions of OE Adjectives.
  - 3/ Degrees of comparison.
5. The Pronoun.\*
  - 1/ Classification of OE Pronouns.
  - 2/ Grammatical categories of OE Pronouns.
  - 3/ Demonstrative and Personal Pronouns.
5. The Numeral.\*
  - 1/ Kinds of numerals.
  - 2/ Grammatical categories.
  - 3/ Ways of formation.

### **SEMINAR 4**

#### ***OE MORPHOLOGY. THE VERB***

##### ***Points for Discussion***

1. Grammatical categories of the OE Verb.
2. Morphological classes of the verbs in OE (strong, weak, preterite-present, irregular) and the basis for their differentiation.
  - 1/ Strong verbs:
    - a) IE and Germanic Ablaut;
    - b) “the germ” of ablaut, “the complicator”;
    - c) OE Ablaut. Basic forms and classes of OE Strong verbs. 1-5 Classes. 6-7 Classes.
  - 2/ Weak verbs:
    - a) origin of weak verbs and dental suffixes;
    - b) basic forms and classes of OE Weak verbs.
  - 3/ Preterite-present verbs.\*
    - a) basic forms and classes of OE Preterite-present verbs;

- b) their specific features (origin, meaning and role they played in PG and OE);  
4/ Anomalous verbs in OE. Their paradigms; \*  
3. Conjugation of verbs in OE.  
4. Non-Finite forms of the Verb.\*  
5. The Adverb.\*

## **SEMINAR 5**

### ***GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE MIDDLE ENGLISH PERIOD MIDDLE ENGLISH PHONOLOGY Points for Discussion***

1. Main historical events of the ME period. \*
2. ME dialects.
3. Rise of the London dialect.
4. Orthographical changes of the ME period.
5. ME reading rules.
6. Literary monuments of the ME period. \*

### ***MIDDLE ENGLISH PHONOLOGICAL SYSTEM Points for Discussion***

1. ME vowel system. General characteristics.
  - 1/ Quantitative changes;
  - 2/ Qualitative changes.
2. Levelling of unstressed vowels.
3. ME consonant system. General characteristics.

## **SEMINAR 6**

### ***MIDDLE ENGLISH GRAMMAR Points for Discussion***

1. General changes of Middle English grammar.
2. Development of Nominal categories in ME.
3. The Noun.
4. The Adjective.
5. The Pronoun. \*
6. The Numeral.\*
7. The Verb. Development of verbal grammatical categories in ME.
8. Development of the morphological classes of the verb in ME.
  - 1/ Strong verbs.
  - 2/ Weak verbs.
  - 3/ Preterite-present verbs. \*
  - 4/ Anomalous verbs. \*

## **SEMINAR 7**

### ***NEW ENGLISH PERIOD. MAIN HISTORICAL EVENTS NEW ENGLISH PHONOLOGY. CHANGES IN NEW ENGLISH MORPHOLOGY***

#### ***Points for Discussion***

1. General characteristics of the NE Period.\*
2. Formation of the National English Language.\*
3. NEW ENGLISH PHONOLOGY. Vowels:
  - 1/ The Great Vowel Shift;
  - 2/ Development of short vowels;
  - 3/ Rise of new long vowels;
  - 4/ Rise of new diphthongs and triphthongs.
4. NEW ENGLISH PHONOLOGY. Consonants:
  - 1/ Voicing of voiceless fricatives;
  - 2/ Vocalization of 'r';
  - 3/ Rise of new sibilants;
  - 4/ Simplification of consonant clusters.
5. Foundation of Modern English Spelling
6. NEW ENGLISH MORPHOLOGY.
  - 1/ The Nominal Parts of Speech. \*
  - 2/ The Verb. \*

## **SEMINAR 8**

### ***OE, ME, NE SYNTAX AND VOCABULARY***

#### ***Points for Discussion***

#### **OE, ME and NE SYNTAX**

1. Word Order in OE.
2. Compound Sentences in OE. Means of Connection.
3. Complex Sentences. Types of Subordinate Clauses. Means of Connection.
4. Negation.
5. Changes of the ME and NE Periods.

#### **OE, ME and NE VOCABULARY**

1. OE Vocabulary and its Structure.
2. Words of Common IE Origin.
3. Words of Common Germanic Origin.
4. Loan-words.
5. Word-formation in OE.
6. Specific features of ME and NE vocabulary.
7. Foreign influence.
8. Word-formation in ME and NE periods.
9. Latin borrowings in the history of the English language.
10. Regional variants of English.

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