

**B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2013**  
**BRANCH XII – ENGLISH**  
**FIRST SEMESTER**

**COURSE : ALLIED – CORE**  
**PAPER : INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS**  
**TIME : 3 HOURS** **MAX. MARKS : 100**

**I. Give the phonetic transcription of the following words: (1x10=10)**

*a. dare                      b. blow                      c. shy                      d. knee                      e. order*  
*f. thrill                      g. curl                      h. shun                      i. bring                      j. thou*

**II Write short notes on any FOUR of the following. (4x5=20)**

- a. Primary stress
- b. Homophony and homonymy
- c. Allomorphs
- d. Idiolects
- e. Voiced and voiceless phonemes
- f. Arbitrariness

**III Analyse the sentence pattern in the following sentences. (5x2=10)**

- 1. Sahana plays badminton in the ground.
- 2. They left the job incomplete.
- 3. The Manager gave the new recruits their orders.
- 4. He will submit the report on Monday.
- 5. The match was exciting.

**VI Answer the following. (4x15=60)**

- 1 a. Explain the properties of Human Communication.  
(OR)  
b. Define and describe the pure vowels of the English language.
- 2 a. What are Morphemes? Explain English Morphemes with appropriate illustrations.  
(OR)  
b. Explain de Saussure's theory of signification.
- 3 a. What are deep and surface structures? How do they help in disambiguating sentences?  
(OR)  
b. How significant is Semantics in the study of linguistics?
- 4. a. How are English consonants classified? Explain with examples.  
(OR)  
b. Explain IC Analysis to describe the structure of the English sentence.