

STELLA MARIS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) CHENNAI 600 086
(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2004 – 05 & thereafter)

SUBJECT CODE: EL/AC/LG23

B. A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2008

BRANCH XII – ENGLISH

SECOND SEMESTER

COURSE : ALLIED – CORE

PAPER : INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

TIME : 3 HOURS

MAX. MARKS : 100

I. Attempt a phonemic transcription of the following words: (10x1=10)

1. Fashion
2. Players
3. Towel
4. Calendar
5. Prayer
6. Exam
7. Judge
8. Linguistics
9. Preacher
10. Stew

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

1. Idiolect
2. Displacement
3. Cultural-transmission
4. Duality
5. Free Morpheme
6. Homonymy

III. Identify the basic sentence patterns :- (5x2=10)

1. Scorpion stings.
2. War is destructive.
3. The policeman chased a robber in broad daylight.
4. Sita works regularly.
5. We elected him our leader.

IV. Write essays on the following: (4x15=60)

1. The merits and demerits of Traditional Grammar.
Or
Trace the theories which determine the evolution of human language.
2. Describe the Diphthongs in English.
Or
Evaluate IC Analysis.

3. Define with illustrations, Synonymy, Antonymy, Polysemy and Hyponymy.
Or
Define Phonology. Describe the essential property of a phoneme and its different versions.
4. Transformational generative grammar.
Or
Merits and demerits of structural grammar.
