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(For candidates admitted during the academic year 2008 – 09)

SUBJECT CODE: EL/AC/LG14

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2008

BRANCH XII – ENGLISH

FIRST 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. attempt
2. bangles
3. baskets
4. queue
5. environment
6. breadth
7. battle
8. one
9. finger
10. ornamental

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

1. dialect
2. plosives
3. duality of structure
4. allophones
5. three basic tones
6. hyponymy

III. Identify the basic patterns of the following sentences. (5x2=10)

1. The butter melted easily.
2. My father gave me a new watch for my birthday.
3. Unfortunately, the rains washed out the cricket match.
4. Her rudeness left us speechless.
5. The baby's face turned red because of the heat.

IV. Write essays on the following in not more than 500 words each. (4x15=60)

1. What are the different places of articulation? What are the articulatory organs involved in each. Give an example for each.

OR

Place any eight English vowels in a vowel chart and give their three term labels.

2. Compare TG Grammar with Structural Grammar and bring out the merits of TG Grammar.

OR

Bring out the differences between human and animal communication.

3. Define free morpheme and bound morpheme. What are the different types of bound morphemes? Give examples of each.

OR

Write short notes on a. synonymy; b. antonymy; c. polysemy; d. homonymy

4. What is Standard Dialect? How does a Standard Dialect evolve? What are the roles of Standard Dialect?

OR

What are the factors that determine the choice of register? What is an idiolect?
