

B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2015  
BRANCH XII – ENGLISH  
FIRST SEMESTER

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

SECTION – A

I Attempt a phonemic transcription of the following words: (1x10=10)

taper	matter	gone	state	spin
screen	go	ah	under	tents

SECTION – B

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

1. I ran out of fuel yesterday.
2. The mall was crowded on Sunday.
3. Sara likes Chinese food.
4. Kamala sent an email to her boss.
5. It rained heavily.

III Analyse the following words into morphemes: (10x1=10)

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| a) jumped       | f) giraffes  |
| b) insight      | g) purplish  |
| c) discrete     | h) quickly   |
| d) cineplex     | i) cranberry |
| e) carelessness | j) transmit  |

IV Give an IC analysis of the following sentences: (2x2<sup>1/2</sup>=5)

1. The man hit the ball.
2. Jane suggested Linda take the linguistic class.

SECTION – C

V Write short notes on any Four of the following in not more than 75 words: (4x5=20)

- a. Displacement
- b. Register
- c. Word Stress
- d. Free and Bound Morphemes
- e. Hyponymy
- f. Synonymy.

**VI Write an essay on the following in not more than 350 words:**

**(3x15=45)**

1 a. Explain the characteristics of arbitrariness and duality in human language with suitable examples.

(OR)

b. Write an essay on the varieties of language.

2 a. Classify English consonants based on the place of articulation.

(OR)

b. Write a detailed essay on intonation highlighting the signs of variations with suitable examples

3 a. Write an essay on semantics explaining the different types of lexical relations.

(OR)

b. Describe the features of traditional grammar with suitable examples.

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