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M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION – ENGLISH LITERATURE

FIRST SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2009

EL 1804 - LINGUISTICS

Date & Time: 06/11/2009 / 1:00 - 4:00 Dept. No.

Max. : 100 Marks

PART A

I Write short notes on any two of the following in about 50 words each. (2x5=10 marks)

1. Deep structures and surface structures according to Chomsky
2. The relevance of psycholinguistics
3. competence and performance in language skills

II Answer any two of the following in about 200 words each. (2x10=20 marks)

1. Explain the stress, tone and accent with examples.
2. Differentiate the role and function of vowels and consonants in phonetics.
3. Transcribe the following words: a) power b) tremendous c) cunning d) laughed e) decorate

III Answer any one of the following in about 300 words each. (1x20=20 marks)

1. How does Bloomfield analyse the study and use of Language?
2. Analyse the descriptive and the prescriptive ways of English language learning and teaching in the non native learning contexts of India.

PART B

IV Write short notes on any two of the following in about 50 words each. (2x5=10 marks)

1. Write a note on Syntax as a system of Language.
2. What is Noun Phrase (NP)?
3. What is Pragmatics in Linguistics?

V Answer any two of the following in about 200 words each. (2x10=20 marks)

1. Explain Prescriptive study of language.
2. Explain Collocational Theory.
3. Differentiate Prescriptive and Descriptive study of Language.

VI Answer any one of the following in about 300 words each. (1x20=20 marks)

1. Write an essay on any three systems of language.
2. Write an essay on the various ways by which meaning is built into language.
