LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI - 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

FIRST SEMESTER - NOVEMBER 2007

EL 1804 - LINGUISTICS

Date: 27/10/2007 Time: 1:00 - 4:00 Dept. No.

Max.: 100 Marks

Part- A

I. Describe the following English sounds

 $4 \times 4 = 16$

1. /æ/

2. /n/

3. / **f**/

4. δ

II. Attempt a broad phonemic transcription of the following words marking primary and secondary accents. $7 \times 2 = 14$

Education India
Pronouncement Paper

Gingerly Shakespeare

Punctuality

III. Write an essay on the following

 $1 \times 20 = 20$

The articulators.

IV Answer any FIVE of the following questions in about 50 words each $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ marks})$

- 1. What are the two major functions of a language?
- 2. What is Synchronic study of language?
- 3. Write a note on Prescriptive study of grammar.
- 4. What are 'practical events'?
- 5. What is pragmatic study of language?
- 6. What is the 'arbitrary' feature of language?

V Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 150 words each $(2 \times 10 = 20 \text{ marks})$

- 1. Explain Traditional Grammar.
- 2. Explain the problem one encounters in explaining semantics.
- 3. Explain Phrase Structure Rules.

VI Answer the following question in about 300 words

(20 marks)

1. Explain TG grammar.

Or

Critically analyse Bloomfield's views on speech community?
