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FOURTH SEMESTER B.A DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2020

(CUCBCSS -UG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC15U FEN4 B05 - INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

(Functional English - Core Course)

(2015 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions:

1. (a) _____ property of language allows users to talk about things and events not present in the immediate environment.
(Duality, Discreteness, Displacement)
- (b) In the word 'dishonest', 'dis-' is a _____ morpheme.
(free, fixed, bound)
- (c) Who is the author of the book *Course in General Linguistics*?
(Bloomfield, Chomsky, Saussure)
- (d) The additional meaning assigned to a word besides its literal meaning is _____ meaning
(thematic, denotative, connotative)
2. (a) A minimal unit of meaning is called _____
(sememe, phoneme, semantics)
- (b) Structural grammarians held that the _____ study of language must be given more importance.
(historical, diachronic, synchronic)
- (c) _____ generally specifies/ modifies time, manner, place, reason etc.
(noun, modal auxiliary, adverb)
- (d) Class dialect used by members of a particular group of a speech community is called _____
(idiolect, diglossia, sociolect)
3. (a.) Parole is the _____ side of language.
(linguistic, phonetic, executive)
- (b.) /m/ is a _____ consonant.
(fricative, nasal, affricate)
- (c.) 'See-saw' is an example of _____
(conversion, reduplication, clipping)
- (d.) A language from which other languages have developed is called _____ language
(proto-, frato-, lingu-)

(12 x 1 = 12 Marks)

II. Answer any *nine* questions in two to three sentences. Each question carries 2 marks.

4. Arbitrariness.
5. Sense-relation.
6. Representation of plural morpheme in English.
7. Duality.
8. Extension as a diachronic variation.
9. Modal auxiliaries.
10. Neurolinguistics.
11. Homophony.
12. Entailment.
13. Nasal plosion.
14. Paradigmatic relationship.
15. Difference between phonetics and phonology.

(9 x 2 = 18 Marks)

III. Answer any *six* questions in 100 words. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. Gesture theory of language origin.
17. Chomsky.
18. Use of prefixes in word formation.
19. Saussure's contribution to linguistics.
20. Explain modifiers with examples.
21. Characteristics of animal communication.
22. Differentiate between cohesion and coherence.
23. Properties of inflectional suffixes.
24. Labelled IC analysis of the following sentence: John has been teaching English for ten years.
25. Scope of linguistics in ethnography.

(6 x 5 = 30 Marks)

IV. Write an essay on any *two* questions in 400 words. Each question carries 10 marks.

26. Explain how English is related to other Germanic languages.
27. Synchronic variations.
28. Limitations of traditional grammar.
29. Distinctions in semantics.

(2 x 10 = 20 Marks)
