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English

ENG 5B 02/DM ENG 502—LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer *all* the following questions :

- 1 Which theory locates the origin of language in human instinct to imitate ?
 - (a) Ding-Dong.
 - (b) Bow-Vow.
 - (c) Pooh-Pooh.
 - (d) Big-Bang.
- 2 Who advanced the Ding-dong theory of origin of language ?
 - (a) Max Muller.
 - (b) Noire.
 - (c) Otto Jaspersen.
 - (d) None of these.
- 3 Which theory attributes the origin of language to the sounds uttered by labourers in heavy work ?
 - (a) Bow-Vow.
 - (b) Ding-Dong.
 - (c) Pooh-Pooh.
 - (d) Yo-He-Ho.
- 4 What is the type of study that focuses on the changes of language over a span of time called ?
 - (a) Synchronic.
 - (b) Diachronic.
 - (c) Linguistics.
 - (d) Semiotics.
- 5 Who introduced the term "Semiotics" ?
 - (a) Charles Sanders Pierce.
 - (b) Edward Sapir.
 - (c) Ferdinand de Saussure.
 - (d) None of these.
- 6 What is the study of elementary speech sounds known as ?
 - (a) Morphology.
 - (b) Phonology.
 - (c) Semantics.
 - (d) None of these.

Turn over

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(a) Double meaning. (b) Echo.
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(10 × 1 = 10 marks)

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- 14 Define free morpheme giving examples.
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- 17 How is an interrogative sentence different from an imperative sentence ?
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III. Answer any *four* of the following questions in a paragraph of 100 words :—

- 23 Branches of Linguistics.
- 24 Compare the Musical theory and the Gesture theory.
- 25 Standard English and RP.
- 26 Morphology.
- 27 Mark stress :
 - (a) Examination.
 - (b) Economy.
 - (c) Access.
 - (d) Agent.
- 28 Discuss any *three* basic sentence patterns in English.

(4 × 5 = 20 marks)

IV. Answer any *two* of the following questions in 300 words :—

- 29 Discuss the human speech mechanism.
- 30 Discuss the various theories of the origin of language.
- 31 Write an essay on word formation in English.
- 32 Definition and properties of Human language.

(2 × 15 = 30 marks)