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## THIRD SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, OCTOBER 2017

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

(CUCSS - PG)

CC15P EN3 C06 - THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE: HISTORY AND STRUCTURE

(English Language and Literature) (2015 Admission Onwards)

Time : Three Hours

I.

Maximum : 36 Weightage

### Answer *all* the following questions in a word, phrase or sentence:

- 1. The study of language variations at a particular point of time is a ......study.
- 2. What is a lateral ?Give one example
- 3. Explain Deep Structure
- 4. Transcribe and mark the primary stress of 'inhabitant'
- 5. A ..... tone is used in a yes/no question.
- 6. What is a morpheme?
- 7. The term IC Analysis was introduced by .....
- 8. What is an affricate? Give two examples

# $(8 \text{ x}^{1}/_{2} = 4 \text{ Weightage})$

II. Answer any six of the following questions in a paragraph of about 150 words each:-

9. Attempt a broad transcription of the following passage:

The economic is not the only kind of inequality. There is also the more formidable, the less remediable inequality which exists between individuals of different psychological types. 'The fool sees not the same tree that the wise man sees'.

- 10. Modal auxiliaries
- 11. I.P.A
- 12. Competence and Performance
- 13. Passive Transformation
- 14. Bring out the differences between dialect and sociolect
- 15. What is a diphthong?
- 16. Kernel sentence
- 17. Pidgin and Creole as native languages
- 18. Attempt an IC analysis of the following sentence:A short girl followed a tall man.

## (6 x 2 = 12 Weightage)

**IV**. Write an essay of **450** words each on any *four* of the following questions, choosing one from each section:

#### Section A

- 19. Write briefly on the distinction between the diachronic and synchronic approaches to the study of languages
- 20. Bring out the differences between human language and animal communication
- 21. Discuss the significance of the appropriate use of Stress and Intonation in speech

#### Section **B**

- 22. Write an essay on the characteristics of Old English.
- 23. Write briefly on the Greek and French influence on English language
- 24. Discuss the contributions made by Shakespeare and Spencer to the growth of English vocabulary.

#### Section C

- 25. British English is different from American English. Elucidate
- 26. Write an essay on various non-native varieties of the English language
- 27. What are the various types of semantic changes? Substantiate your answer with proper examples.

#### Section D

- 28. Provide a brief description of all the consonant sounds in English Received Pronunciation.
- 29. Write an essay on the suprasegmental features in phonology
- 30. Explain the terms Grammaticality and Acceptability with reference to traditional and modern grammar

(4 x 5 = 20 Weightage)

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