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FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC19P ENG1 C03 - HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

(English)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

I. Write short essays on any *five* of the following in about 300 words each:

1. Write a brief note on Grimm's Law.
2. Write a brief account on how the Renaissance marked its influence upon English language and literature.
3. Define semantic changes in a language. How do you think 'polarisation' and 'depolarisation' impact semantic changes in English language
4. How has French influenced the growth and advancement of English language?
5. Comment briefly on the apparent discrepancy between the spelling and pronunciation in Modern English.
6. Discuss the relevance of English as a Global language.
7. Evaluate the merits and demerits of introducing 'E-lit: IT and English Language and Literature' course at the Oxford University.

(5 × 2 = 10 Weightage)

II. Write essays on any *four* of the following in about 600 words each:

8. Explain the three main stages in the development of English language.
9. What do you mean by semantic changes? Trace the various ways and causes by which meaning changes occur in English.
10. What are the major contributions of poets to the development of English language?
11. Define pidgin and creole. Explain the development of Creoles and Pidgins. What do you mean by Creole Continuum?
12. Reflect on the major events and incidents that culminated in establishing English education in India during the British rule.
13. What is the role of English language in the field of science and technology?

(4 × 5 = 20 Weightage)
