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FOURTH SEMESTER B.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2025

(CBCSS-UG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

CC19U FEN4 B05 - FUNDAMENTALS OF LINGUISTICS

(Functional English - Core Course)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time: 2.5 Hours

Maximum: 80 Marks

Credit: 4

Part A (Short answer questions)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 2 marks.

1. What is displacement?
2. Animal communication systems are closed systems. Why?
3. What is 'lexicography'?
4. What is a 'corpus'?
5. What is psycholinguistics concerned with?
6. Define a plosive.
7. Define phonology.
8. What is meant by paradigmatic relationship?
9. What is syntactic ambiguity?
10. What is connotative meaning?
11. What is homonymy? Give an example.
12. What is code-switching?
13. What are functional labels?
14. What is meant by acceptability?
15. Explain the terms 'transformational' and 'generative' in TG grammar.

(Ceiling: 25 Marks)

Part B (Paragraph questions)

Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 5 marks.

16. Write a short note on 'Americanization'.
17. Chomsky's contribution to linguistics.

18. Write a short note on pragmatics.
19. Write a short note on the types of morphemes.
20. Write a short note on derivation.
21. Write a short note on 'dialects'.
22. What are the basic tenets of Structuralism?
23. PS rules.

(Ceiling: 35 Marks)

Part C (Essay questions)

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 10 marks.

24. Elaborate the theories of language origin.
25. Discuss the causes and effects of 'language death'.
26. Discuss the definitions, nature and scope of linguistics.
27. New Englishes.

(2 × 10 = 20 Marks)
