

(105ENG17)

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2017

FIRST SEMESTER

Branch – English

Paper V — ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LANGUAGE TEACHING – I

(New Syllabus)

Max. Marks : 70

Time : 3 Hours

(4 × 5 = 20)

I. Write short note on FOUR of the following :

1. (a) Language Universals
- (b) Arbitrariness
- (c) Conversion
- (d) Scandinavian Words in English
- (e) Dialects in English
- (f) Systems of communication
- (g) Linguistics
- (h) Prescriptive grammar
- (i) Allophone
- (j) Compound Words

II. Answer ONE question from each of the following :

(5 × 10 = 50)

2. (a) Describe any two theories of language.

Or

- (b) Define language and describe its characteristics.

3. (a) Describe the scope of semantics.

Or

- (b) Write an essay illustrating the differences between Standard British and American Varieties of English.

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4. (a) Discuss the scope of linguistics as a discipline.

Or

(b) Explain how Modern approaches to language study are different from Traditional ones.

5. (a) Write an essay on any two foreign influences on the English language.

Or

(b) Describe any five word building processes.

6. (a) Describe the fundamental concepts in phonology.

Or

(b) Distinguish the terms word, morpheme and morph.

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