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First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Double Main Programme

English and Malayalam Literature

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English and Media Studies

Core Course

**EML 1632/ENM 1632 : LINGUISTICS AND STRUCTURE OF THE ENGLISH
LANGUAGE**

(2020 Admission Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or a sentence.

1. Define the term 'Phonetics'.
2. What does the term 'Semantics' mean?
3. Who conceived the concept of language as a system of signs?
4. What is an allophone?
5. Give an example of a trisyllabic word.

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6. Give an example of assimilation.
7. What does the term 'Bound Morpheme' signify?
8. Who propounded the theory of Transformational Generative Grammar?
9. Who is the author of *Ashtadhyayi*?
10. Which Indian linguist conceived of the *Sphota* theory?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **eight**, each in a short paragraph not exceeding **50** words.

11. What is Historical Linguistics?
12. Explain the Diachronic approach to linguistics.
13. Comment on the notions of Langue and Parole.
14. Elucidate the term 'Register'.
15. Write a short note on IPA.
16. Comment on the Three Term Labels used to describe consonant sounds.
17. Write a note on the Plosive sounds of RP.
18. Identify the organs associated with the Articulatory System in the human speech Mechanism.
19. Explain the concept of Juncture with an example.
20. What are Inflectional Morphemes?
21. What are allomorphs?
22. Construct two Declarative Sentences, one with SVOC pattern and the other with SVOA pattern.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)



III. Answer any **six**, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words.

23. Explain the difference between the Synchronic and Diachronic approaches to the study of language.
24. Comment on Descriptive Linguistics.
25. Write a note on Dialect.
26. Distinguish between Form class and Function class words.
27. State the structural and functional peculiarities of the four basic categories of sentences.
28. Explain the term IC Analysis.
29. Explain the fundamental aspects of TG Grammar.
30. What are Cardinal Vowels?
31. Transcribe the following words and mark syllable division and stress.
 - (i) English
 - (ii) Fifteen
 - (iii) Ability
 - (iv) Present
 - (v) College
 - (vi) Calculation
 - (vii) Drama
 - (viii) Bomb

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)



- IV. Answer any **two**, each in about **300** words.
32. Attempt an essay on various types of linguistics.
33. Explain the sound system of RP with special reference to vowel sounds and consonant sounds.
34. Elaborate the various aspects of Morphology.
35. Transcribe the following passage phonemically and mark the stress:

In Britain and around the world, the image of the family continues to change. The traditional "Victorian family" in which the man was the breadwinner, the woman the homemaker and the children numerous and obedient, is giving way to new ideas about what the modern family should look like. One of the most obvious characteristics of the new family is that there are not always two parents. Due mostly to the rise in divorces since World War II, single-parent families are becoming more and more frequent and accepted in British society. Usually, it is the mother who takes responsibility for raising the child, and she has to balance the pressures of earning a living and raising her children at the same time.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)

