

APRIL 2019

71016/ARA5D

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (10 × 2 = 20 marks)

Answer any TEN questions in 30 words each.

1. What is meant by contrastive linguistics?
2. Define the term arbitrariness.
3. How do letters have duality feature?
4. What is writing?
5. Explain Isogloss.
6. What is Dialect?
7. Write a note on Latinate fallacy.
8. State any two misconceptions about grammar.
9. Give any two major weaknesses of Traditional Grammar.
10. What is zero morph?
11. Explain collocation with example.
12. Define syntax.

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AN Introduction to General Linguistics

SECTION B — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer any FIVE questions in 200 words each.

13. Analyse the dictotomy between synchrony and Diachrony.
14. Bring out the merits and demerits of 'The Bow-Wow' and 'The geoture' theory of the origin of languages.
15. Describe the development of writing.
16. Discuss Nominative Rules of grammar.
17. Distinguish between Form and substance.
18. Write a note on Geoffrey Leech's conception of the elements of meaning.
19. Resolve the ambiguities in the following :
  - (a) Flying planes are dangerous.
  - (b) Visiting doctors can be a nuisance.

SECTION C — (3 × 10 = 30 marks)

Answer any THREE questions in 500 words each.

20. Define language and explain the uses of it.
21. What is language change? What are the major types of language change?

22. Distinguish between Descriptive and Prescriptive grammar.
23. Examine the different kinds of morphs with illustrations in each case.
24. Discuss IC analysis with suitable illustrations.