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ENGLISH LITERATURE

Paper I (B)

(Elementary Linguistics Phonetics)

Time allowed: Three hours

Maximum marks: 100

Note :- The paper will contain ten questions having two questions from each unit. The candidates are required to attempt five questions in all, selecting at least one question from each unit.

Unit-I

1. Discuss any five characteristic features of speech with suitable examples. 10

Or

What is the difference between prescriptive grammar and descriptive grammar? Give suitable examples to illustrate the difference. 10

2. Explain any three of the following with examples :

- (i) Phoneme (ii) Phrase-Marker
(iii) Inflectional suffixes in English
(iv) Morphology (v) Syntax
(vi) Consonant Clusters. 5x3

3. Explain the notion of "transformation" in transformational-generative grammar. How is the notion useful? 10

Or

All sentences have both a deep structure and a surface structure. Illustrate. 10

Unit-II

4. What are the three dimensions of classification that help in defining and identifying a 'register'? Illustrate your answers with examples. 12

Or

Write short notes on any two of the following :

- (i) Code switching (ii) Dialect
(iii) Pidgin (iv) Bilingualism 6x2

5. What are the basic principles of teaching English as a foreign language? 8

Or

"Communication is the process by which people attempt to share meaning via transmission of symbolic messages." Explain. 8

6. Write a paragraph of about 250-300 words on any one of the following topics:

- (i) Language constructs the worlds
(ii) Art of communication is the language of leadership
(iii) Greed is worst destroyer
(iv) My wild dream
(v) Discipline 10

Unit-III

7. Write notes on any two of the following:

- (i) Vowels
(ii) Role of soft palate (velum) in speech mechanism
(iii) Diphthongs
(iv) Word stress 5x2

8. Attempt any two of the following:
- (i) Explain the Rising and Falling tones with examples.
 - (ii) Phonetically transcribe any five of the following words:
thought, health, stopped, sings, ghost, jokes, station, managing
 - (iii) Mark primary stress on any five of the following:
medicine, condition, advertisement, combine, ability, volunteer,
tomatoes, politician 5×2
9. Attempt a stylistic appreciation of any one of the following:
- There yet remains the challenge to the void,
The gesture, seeking immortality
We build, our temples cover earth
Their spires reach up, their mirror seek out.
We redesign the animals, and bridge the streams
And bring the mountain low.
And not content with earth
We'll rearrange the heavens
And establish ourselves in the uttermost places
Singing new songs of creation.

Or

Another sneak raid was attempted yesterday on a residential area of Megapolis. There were no casualties, and trivial damage only was done to shops by this futile attempt at terror tactics. A solitary aircraft, evidently a straggler from an enemy squadron which had been beaten off in a half hearted attack on an inland town, made a brief and furtive appearance through heavy cloud and jettisoned a few bombs at random. The reception it met with from our batteries was much too hot for it; and though with the aid of cloud protection it managed to evade our fighters which soared in hot pursuit within a minute of its appearance, it seems unlikely that the vulture returned to its nest unscathed. 15