

ENGLISH LITERATURE (Elective)

(Elementary Linguistics Morphology and Syntax)

Module-II
(Semester-IV)

Time Allowed : Three Hours

Maximum Marks : 75

Note : Attempt two questions each from Units-I and Unit-II and the entire Unit-III.

UNIT-I

- I. Define language. Bring out the salient characteristics of language with examples. 11½
- II. How would you prove that linguistics is a scientific discipline? Illustrate suitably. 11½
- III. Write a short essay on the various branches of linguistics. 11½
- IV. Elaborate synchrony and diachrony. How would you establish the priority of synchronic approach over the diachronic one? 11½

UNIT-II

- V. Give a detailed account of the various processes of word-formation with suitable examples. 11
- VI. Describe the basic sentence patterns in detail with suitable examples. 11
- VII. (a) Identify the following underlined words by using Verbal, Nominal or Adjectival :
 - (i) Jim lost both fillings from his tooth.
 - (ii) It was located by a sweetly babbling brook.
 - (iii) It was exciting to watch the flight.
 - (iv) Old sayings are often half-true.
 - (v) From the bridge, we watched the running water.

- (vi) That barking dog keeps everyone awake. (1×6=6)
- (b) Indicate whether the underlined word is a Compound Word (Cd) or a Grammatical Structure (Gs) :
- (i) Jim's new car is a hardtop.
- (ii) She has a strong hold on him.
- (iii) She has a stronghold in the Women's club.
- (iv) They bought it on the black market.
- (v) It was a jack-in-the-box. (1×5=5)
- VIII. (a) In front of each sentence, write the headword subject and the verb to which it is tied :
- (i) The purposes of the training make me eager to begin.
- (ii) The leader of the trainees selects a deputy.
- (iii) One among the flock of swans maintains guard.
- (iv) The difference between the two men appears when they are at a game.
- (v) The troublemakers on the squad were hard to locate. (1×5=5)
- (b) Classify the underlined expressions as VAC (Intransitive Verb-Adverbial Composite) or V+A (Verb plus adverbial) :
- (i) The two friends fell out.
- (ii) England will always carry on.
- (iii) After drinking heavily, he suddenly passed out.
- (iv) Willard went in.
- (v) The dean gave in to the request of the committee.
- (vi) The shop may close down. (1×6=6)

UNIT-III

IX. Write short notes on the following in about 80-100 words :

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| (a) Arbitrariness. | (b) Discreteness. |
| (c) Syntax. | (d) Inflection. |
| (e) Morphology. | (f) Duality. |
| (g) Prenominal Modifiers. | (h) Compound Words. |
| (i) Phonesthemes. | (j) Homophones. |
| (k) Allomorphs. | (l) Simple and Complex Words. |
| (m) Free and Bound Morphemes. | (n) Inflectional Affixes. |
| (o) Derivational Suffixes. | |

(2×15=30)