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**I Semester M.A. Degree (Reg./Sup./Imp.) Examination, November 2015
(2014 Admn. Onwards)
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
ENG1C02 : The History of English Language**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Write essays **not** less than **four** pages on **four** of the following :

- 1) Give the important characteristics of the Middle English period with special reference to grammar and vocabulary.
- 2) Explain Grimm's Law and Verner's Law.
- 3) Write an essay on the Great Vowel Shift.
- 4) Elucidate the effect that religion has had on the development of English with reference to the influence of The Bible on the language.
- 5) What is the nature and extent of the influence of French on Middle English.
- 6) Effects of the global spread of the English Language. (4×10=40)

II. Write short notes on **any eight** of the following :

- 7) Telescoping.
- 8) Archaism.
- 9) Write a short note on Standard English.
- 10) Scandinavian influence on the English Language.
- 11) Explain i-mutation and give two examples of how mutated vowels may mark grammatical contrasts.
- 12) Dr. Johnson's Dictionary.
- 13) Short note on malapropism with examples.
- 14) Old English vocabulary.
- 15) Norman Conquest.
- 16) East Midland Dialect.
- 17) Milton.
- 18) Catachresis. (8×5=40)