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**V Semester B.A. Degree (C.B.C.S.S. – O.B.E. – Regular/Supplementary/
Improvement) Examination, November 2025
(2019 to 2023 Admissions)
Core Course in English
5B10ENG : LINGUISTICS**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

I. Answer **any one** of the following in about **250** words. (1×6=6)

- 1) What is the difference between human language and animal communication systems ? Provide a detailed comparison.
- 2) Write an essay on the evolution of linguistic schools of thought from traditional to modern.

II. Answer **any one** of the following in about **250** words. (1×6=6)

- 3) Explain the difference between linguistics as a science and traditional grammar. Why is linguistics considered scientific ?
- 4) Explain the different methods of word formation in English.

III. Answer **any six** of the following in about **100** words. (6×3=18)

- 5) What is the significance of Saussure's signifier-signified theory ?
- 6) What is anthropological linguistics ?
- 7) Explain the concept of syllable with types.
- 8) Distinguish between lexical and grammatical meaning with examples.
- 9) What is discourse analysis and why is it important ?
- 10) Differentiate between inflectional and derivational morphemes.
- 11) What is stylistics in linguistics ?
- 12) Define semantics and pragmatics. How do they differ in linguistic analysis ?
- 13) Mention two functions of intonation in English.

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IV. Answer **ten** of the following in **not** more than **two** sentences.

(10×1=10)

- 14) Name a structuralist linguist.
- 15) What is a free morpheme ?
- 16) Give an example of a derivational suffix.
- 17) What is the function of pragmatics ?
- 18) What does IC in IC analysis stand for ?
- 19) Define phonology.
- 20) What is a phrase structure rule ?
- 21) What is deixis ?
- 22) What is cohesion in a text ?
- 23) What are affixes ?
- 24) Name a pioneer of transformational grammar.
- 25) What is a consonant cluster ?
- 26) What is a zero morpheme ?

