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## **English Language and Literature**

Core Course: Paper IX

## EL 231: LINGUISTICS AND STRUCTURE OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

(2017 Admission onwards)

Time: 3 Hours Max. Marks: 75

- I. Answer five of the following questions:
- 1. Inflectional and derivational affixes
- 2. Speech and writing
- 3. Langue and parole
- 4. Tag questions
- Differentiate between hyponymy and homonymy with suitable examples.
- Draw the Tree diagram of the given sentence:
  Geetha is singing a song.
- Give an example for an interrogative sentence.
- Find out the main and subordinate clauses in the given sentence:
  Anna suddenly stopped the car and helped the old man cross the road.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10 \text{ Marks})$ 

- II. Write short notes on four of the following, each not exceeding 150 words:
- 9. Pidgin and creole
- 10. Received Pronunciation
- 11. Conceptual and associative meaning
- 12. The Prague School
- 13. Psycholinguistics
- 14. Tagmemics
- 15. General Indian English
- 16. Describe the elements in the following sentence:

Mr. John was the winner last year.

 $(4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ Marks})$ 

- III. Write an essay on two of the following, each in about 4 pages:-
- 17. Elaborate on the basic assumptions of Modern Linguistics.
- 18. Analyse the characteristics of Structural Descriptive Grammar.
- 19. Attempt an essay on American Structuralism and Bloomfield.
- 20. Explain in detail IC Analysis with illustrations.

 $(2 \times 15 = 30 \text{ Marks})$ 

21. Transcribe the following passage by putting the appropriate stress and intonation:

Nature is the creation of natural material and physical world on earth independent of the human activities. The beauty and richness of nature is diverse and massive. Nature provides us with several delicacies to enjoy and is our life support system. Our basic needs like food, shelter, water and air are all the gifts from nature. Humans have a strong connection and interrelation with nature. Our natural ecosystem is the community of biotic and abiotic components.

 $(1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ Marks})$ 

- 22. Resolve the ambiguity in Two of the following sentences:-
  - (a) The goat is ready to eat.
  - (b) The burglar robbed the woman with the knife.
  - (c) Visiting friends can be annoying.
  - (d) The nurse got the bath ready for the baby wearing the blue cap.

 $(2 \times 2\frac{1}{2} = 5 \text{ Marks})$ 

- 23. Analyse any one of the following using TG grammar:
  - (a) Did Rohan pass his exam?
  - (b) She likes ice-skating.
  - (c) The party ended very late.

 $(1 \times 5 = 5 \text{ Marks})$