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M.A. English - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2025

SEMESTER - II

20PELCT2008 - Linguistics

Total Duration : 2 Hrs. 30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions ($6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks)

1. Illustrate Ferdinand de Saussure's theory and pragmatic relationship with linguistics.
2. Explain the classification of English speech sounds.
3. Classify the nature of morphology in linguistics.
4. Show phrase structure rules with suitable rules.
5. Describe the varieties of English and British, American language change.
6. Predict features of phonetics and its combinations.
7. Interpret the origin of semantics and its features.
8. Distinguish the constituent structure of grammar.

Section C

I - Answer any **TWO** questions ($2 \times 10 = 20$ Marks)

9. Classify the disciplinary fields of linguistics with some examples.
10. Prepare an essay on communicative competence Vs linguistic competence.
11. Transcribe the following passage in phonetic script.
X: What's the name of your company?
Y: I work in government sector.
Y: What's your job?
X: I am an office assistant.
Y: Do you like your job?
X: Yes. I like it.
Y: So it is interesting.
'please do it'
X: Thank you.

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12. Assess the types of word formation process.

II - Compulsory question (1 × 10 = 10 Marks)

13. Justify Noam Chomsky's lay down on competence and performance and lay downs.
