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B.A.English - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - NOVEMBER 2025

SEMESTER - III

20UELCT3006 - English Language

Total Duration : 2 Hrs.30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions (6 × 5 = 30 Marks)

1. Explain the classification of English within the Indo-European language family, focusing on its historical importance and key linguistic features.
2. Describe the impact of Shakespeare's works on the evolution of the English language and its literary corpus.
3. Relate the changes that occurred between the Old English and Middle English periods in terms of pronunciation and vocabulary.
4. Describe the mechanisms underlying vocabulary expansion in English, with particular emphasis on semantic change and the standardization process.
5. Interpret the influence of technological advancements on the diversification of English varieties and the establishment of English as a global lingua franca.
6. Classify the different Bible translations that significantly impacted the English language and specify their unique contributions.
7. Examine the contributions of the Renaissance period to the development of the English language after the Middle English era.
8. Distinguish the main features of the Germanic language family and identify its three primary branches.

Section C

Answer any **THREE** questions (3 × 10 = 30 Marks)

9. Illustrate the role of historical migrations and invasions in the shaping of the English language within the Indo-European family.
10. Prepare an analytical summary of Milton's role in shaping English poetic and prose conventions.

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11. Justify on the linguistic innovations introduced during the Middle English period and their relevance to the formation of Modern English.
12. Classify the different sources of vocabulary in English development, including borrowings from other languages and explain how Standard English incorporated these changes.
13. Examine the sociolinguistic factors that have led to the emergence of multiple English varieties globally and their implications for communication and education.
