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**Third Semester M.A. Degree Examination, February 2019**  
**Branch : ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE**  
**Core Course : Paper – IX**  
**EL 231 : Linguistics and Structure of the English Language**  
**(2017 Admission)**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 75

I. Answer **any five** of the following questions : **(5×2=10 Marks)**

- 1) Transcribe the following words and mark the stress appropriately :  
a) moustache    b) rupture    c) camphor    d) hygiene
- 2) Syntagmatic and paradigmatic
- 3) Morphology and syntax
- 4) Exclamatory sentence
- 5) Dialect
- 6) Tagmemics
- 7) Langue and parole
- 8) Simple sentence.

II. Answer **any four** of the following in about **150** words **each** : **(4×5=20 Marks)**

- 9) Bloomfield and American structuralism.
- 10) Phonemes and allophones.
- 11) Prescriptive and descriptive grammar.
- 12) Synonymy and antonymy.
- 13) Constitutions of a noun phrase.
- 14) Sociolinguistics and psycholinguistics.
- 15) Grammaticality and acceptability.
- 16) Rewrite as directed :
  - a) What a wonderful opportunity! (Change to an assertive sentence)
  - b) That is not the way you should behave. (Change to interrogative)





- c) Will you please get me a glass of water ? (Change to imperative)
- d) Though he is nice, he is careless. (Change to a compound sentence)
- e) She was late and could not catch the Mumbai Express. (Change to complex)

III. Write essays on **any two** of the following in about **500** words **each** :  
**(2×15=30 Marks)**

- 17) Attempt a classification of the speech sounds. Use appropriate illustrations.
- 18) What is TG grammar ? What are the components of TG grammar ? Elaborate.
- 19) Discuss the contributions of Saussure and Chomsky to linguistics.
- 20) What is IC analysis ? What are the limitations of IC analysis ? Examine.
- 21) Transcribe the passage below and mark the stress and intonation pattern appropriately : **(1×5=5 Marks)**

I need a couple of shirts. Grey terylene, please.

Certainly, sir. I'll just get some out. Would you mind taking a seat for a minute ? I shan't be long.

No, don't be too long. I haven't very much time.

Very good, sir. Here's a nice shirt; we sell a lot of this one.

Do you, now ? Yes, it's the sort of style I want, but I asked for grey. This is purple.

Purple, sir ? Surely not. It's what we call silver-blue.

Well, it looks purple to me. Anyway, I'd like something a little less bright, more like the one I'm wearing.

- 22) Resolve the ambiguity in **any two** of the following sentences : **(2×2.5 = 5 Marks)**
  - a) I spoke to the girl with a microphone.
  - b) Students like annoying teachers.
  - c) To take our children to the party, we used our cars and then we left them there.
  - d) Thank you for your paper and the presentation which I have now sent to the editor.
- 23) Analyse **any one** of the following by using TG grammar ; **(1×5=5 Marks)**
  - a) The teacher bought the books.
  - b) A grey snake crawled into the house.
  - c) The small boy ate the cake.

