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**FIFTH SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION  
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English

ENG 5B 09—LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : Two Hours and a Half

Maximum : 80 Marks

I. Answer the following questions in two *or* three sentences: (2 marks each) :

- 1 What is meant by 'arbitrariness' in language ?
- 2 What are vocal chords ?
- 3 What is di-glossia ?
- 4 What is the syllabic structure of 'remarkable' ?
- 5 Which are the nasal sounds in the English language ?
- 6 Mark the stress of the following words :
  - (a) Photograph.
  - (b) Academic.
  - (c) Determination.
  - (d) Optical.
- 7 Name the linguist who introduced the terms competence and performance.
- 8 What is register ?
- 9 Define syntax.
- 10 What is a phoneme ?
- 11 What are semi-vowels ?
- 12 What are acronyms ? Give examples.
- 13 Define bilingualism.
- 14 Define elision
- 15 What are homophones ? Give examples.

(Ceiling 25 marks)

Turn over

II. Answer the following questions in a paragraph (5 marks each) :

16 Transcribe the following passage :

Our garden was large and beautiful as the garden in the Bible. But it had gone wild. The paths had overgrown and a smell of dead flowers mixed with the fresh living smell.

17 Role of Semantics.

18 Diphthongs.

19 Speech *vs.* Writing.

20 Plosives.

21 Langue and parole.

22 Branches of linguistics.

23 RP.

(Ceiling 35 marks)

III. Answer any *two* questions as essays :

24 What is the role of airstream mechanism and explain the various Types of airstream mechanisms involved in the production of speech sounds.

25 What is a morpheme ? Elucidate its relation to the grammatical structure of a language.

26 What is IC Analysis and discuss its merits and demerits.

27 Briefly discuss TG grammar and how is it different from phrase structure grammar ?

(2 × 10 = 20 marks)