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Fourth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, July 2019

First Degree Programme under CBCSS

Complementary Course

EG 1431 / CG 1431 – HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Common for B.A. English Language and Literature

(2013 Admission Onwards)

And

Career Related 2(a) English and Communicative English

(2013 and 2014 Admissions)

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

I. Answer **all** questions, each in a word or sentence :

1. What is widening?
2. Give an example for metonymy.
3. What is alliteration?
4. What is jargon?
5. What is meant by diachronic study of language?
6. What is dialect?
7. What is inflection?

8. What is called prescriptive grammar?
9. What is meant by Language family?
10. Name the Dictionary compiled by Dr. Johnson.

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

II. Answer any **eight**. Each in a short paragraph not exceeding 50 words.

11. Synesthesia
12. Metaphor
13. Concatenation
14. Renaissance
15. Old English
16. Verner's law
17. Shakespeare's contribution to English.
18. Germanic languages
19. Spelling reform in English
20. Latin influence
21. Middle English
22. Register.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six**, each in a paragraph not exceeding **100** words. :

23. Influence of printing press
24. Attempts to reform English

25. The key properties of human language
26. Chaucer's contribution to English
27. Standard English
28. French influence on English
29. Development of Modern English
30. Impact of the Bible translation
31. Development of dictionaries in English.

(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)

IV. Answer any **two**, each in about 300 words. :

32. Discuss the features of the Indo-European family of languages and the place of English in it.
33. Discuss the growth and development of English as a global language.
34. Discuss the process of word formation and the growth of vocabulary in English.
35. Who are the makers of English language? Discuss their contributions.

(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)