

2012

M.A. Part-I Examination

ENGLISH

PAPER—IV

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

*Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.*

*Answer all questions.*

**Group—A**

1. Analyse the morphological structure of any four of the following : 2×4

Jailbird, Anticlockwise, Women's, Unhappily,  
Enthusiastically, Modernise, Postmodernist, Disarmament.

2. Analyse the structure of the following noun phrases : 2×4

(a) Half of the students :

(b) Eminent intellectuals outside the country's university system :

(c) John's reaching there :

(d) Frank Palmer, the famous linguist

Or

Explain with illustrations the static and dynamic verbs.

3. Analyse the following Verb Groups : 2×3

Ought to come down ;

May have been being built ;

Must be joking.

4. Explain any five of the following : 2×5

(a) Lexical verbs ;

(b) Redundancy ;

(c) Interference ;

(d) Collocation ;

(e) Sociolect ;

(f) Foregrounding ;

(g) Phatic Communion ;

(h) Foreign plurals.

Or

Write a short note on the use of 'adjuncts'.

5. Draw Deep structure trees for the following sentences : 3×3

John wished to go ;

I thought he would boil her alive ;

Lily asked William to marry her.

Or

Write a brief essay on 'Thematic fronting'.

6. Comment on the ambiguity features of the following sentences : 3×3

(a) 'Those white women' hostels.

(b) Visiting relatives can be a nuisance ;

(c) They called her a taxi.

Or

Write an essay in 'Concord'.

### Group—B

7. Describe the phonetic features and functions of tongue and vocal chords. 9

8. Write a note on the Affricates and Nasal consonants. 9

9. Distinguish between (any three) : 3×3

(a) Stress-timing and Syllable-timing ;

(b) Dark (l) and Clear (l) ;

(c) Front vowel and back vowel ;

(d) Velar closure and Velic closure ;

(e) Rhotic accent and non-rhotic accent.

10. Write brief notes on any three of the following : 3×3

(a) Air-stream mechanism ;

(b) Approximants ;

(c) Roll and flap ;

(d) Voicing ;

(e) Elision.

## 11. Mark stress and intonation in the following sentences

Mike : What are you going to do?

Wilson : I'm going to sleep on that bed. You offered to me.

Mike : You can't go to bed now.

Wilson : Why not?

Mike : It's too early.

Wilson : I'm an early riser.

Mike : I've just thought. It's come to me. We can't put you up.

## 12. Write a phonemic transcription of the following :

There is a pleasure in the pathless words,

There is a rapture on the lonely shore,

There is society, where none intruders,

By the deep Sea, and music in its roar :

I love not Man the less, but nature more.

## 13. Render into orthographic text the following phonetic text

'nəv ən ən'ju:ʃəvəl ɪŋg beɪənd. / ðə 'keɪn ste:d / ən 'leɪd  
 əv ɪt ɪlftɪd; / ənd ðə 'hɪŋdri:zəbəl 'pɔ:ntz 'hed ,pɪpt 'θru: /  
 ən ɪks'trɔ:dənri stɪʃu:ʃn / məst əv ə 'rɪzn / tə 'meɪk hɪm du:  
 'ðæt. / hɪz 'aɪz ,baldəd. / 'sʌnwaɪz 'ɪ: ju: 'hi: wɪspəd. /

'hu: ? 'wɒt dɔ:z hɪ: wɒnt? '

'aɪ 'dəʊnt ,nəv. /

ðə 'wɪspəd kəʊvə'seɪʃn / wɔ:z hɪk'kəmɪŋ ə 'strɪm. / aɪ 'fʊk maɪ  
 wɪd. / wɪnt / ənd ɪm'peɪsɪ / tu 'ɪndɪkeɪt tə ðə 'pɔ:nt / ðət aɪ wɔ:z