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**Fourth Semester B.A. Degree Examination, August 2022**

**First Degree Programme under CBCSS**

**English Language & Literature English and Communicative English**

**Complementary Course**

**EN 1431/ CG 1431 : HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**(EN 1431 and CG 1431 : 2013 & 2014 Admission)**

**2013-2018 Admission**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

- I. Answer **all** questions each in a word or sentence.
1. What is meant by 'compounding'? Give examples.
2. Which country's contribution to the English vocabulary are the words 'almirah' and 'ghee'?
3. What is the corresponding American English word for 'native town'?
4. What is 'apocope'? Give examples.
5. What does the term 'sociolect' mean? Provide examples.
6. Define 'metonymy'.
7. What is 'amelioration'?

8. Name the semantic process in which the successive changes are like the links of a chain.
9. The word 'goodbye' is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ kind of word formation.
10. To which family of languages does the Celtic language belong?

(10 × 1 = 10 Marks)

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

11. What is Freek formation?
12. List out the three differences in pronunciation between the British English and the American English with examples.
13. Word-formation through Metanalysis/Reanalysis.
14. Words from Proper Nouns.
15. Influence of the colonies in enriching the English vocabulary.
16. Telescoping.
17. Italic group of languages.
18. Slang and jargon.
19. Development of Dictionaries.
20. Onomatopoeia.
21. Flux in language.
22. Grimm's Law.

(8 × 2 = 16 Marks)

III. Answer any **six** of the following in a paragraph of around 100 words.

23. The dialects of Old English.
24. Evaluate the impact of the Renaissance on the development of the English Language.
25. Spencer's contribution to the development of English vocabulary.
26. Polysemy.
27. Prospects of spelling Reform in the early Modern English period.
28. Norman Conquest.
29. Portmanteau words.
30. Discuss the distinct features of Human Language.
31. Indo-Iranian languages.

**(6 × 4 = 24 Marks)**

IV. Answer any **Two**, Each in about 300 words.

32. "The English language ceased to be sole possession of the English some time ago". Elucidate, and evaluate the rise of "*Englishes*".
33. Discuss the differences between human and animal communication systems.
34. Trace the influence of Latin in flourishing the Old English Language.
35. Describe the chief characteristics of the Germanic Languages.

**(2 × 15 = 30 Marks)**