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ENGLISH

(Major)

Course : 301

**(History of English Language, Critical
Terms and Classical Mythology)**

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32/24

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

PART—A

(History of English Language)

1. Answer any *eight* of the following questions :

1×8=8

- (a) Since when did the Old English Period start?
- (b) Who wrote *A Dictionary of The English Language* in the year 1755?

- (c) Name a poem that was written in Old English.
- (d) What is the French word for 'house'?
- (e) What is a closed syllable?
- (f) What do you mean by 'borrowing' in language?
- (g) Who advanced the 'ding-dong' theory?
- (h) Who established the printing press in England?
- (i) Who translated the *New Testament* into English?
- (j) How many branches did the Indo-European parent language split up to?
2. Write short notes on any *two* of the following : 5×2=10
- (a) Pooh-pooh theory
- (b) Slang
- (c) The composition of a syllable
- (d) Euphemism

3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 12

- (a) Attempt a discussion of the major changes that marked the development from the Old English to the Middle English Period.
- (b) Prepare a note on the influence of French in the development of English language.
- (c) Describe any six factors which have contributed to the growth of English vocabulary.

PART—B

UNIT—I

(**Critical Terms and Concepts**)

4. Write short notes on any *five* of the following : 6×5=30

- (a) Ambiguity
- (b) *Carpe diem*
- (c) Conceit
- (d) Paradox
- (e) Pun
- (f) Short story
- (g) Stream of consciousness
- (h) Satire

UNIT—II

(Classical Mythology)

5. Discuss the contributions of any *two* of the following prominent figures to classical literature : 5×2=10
- (a) Sappho
 - (b) Seneca
 - (c) Aristotle
 - (d) Sophocles
6. Write brief notes on any *five* of the following mythological figures of the classical world : 2×5=10
- (a) Helen
 - (b) Telemachus
 - (c) Actaeon
 - (d) Sphinx
 - (e) Pluto
 - (f) Cupid
 - (g) Ceres
 - (h) Hector
