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FIRST OPPORTUNITY QUESTION PAPER	
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INSTRUCTIONS
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Answer ALL the questions.2. Read all the questions carefully before answering.3. Number the answers clearly.4. Give essay type responses where necessary.5. Use blue or black ink only

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 4 PAGES (Including this front page)

GENERAL INSTRUCTION: This examination paper has four questions. Read the instructions in each section carefully before answering any question.

Question 1

Descriptive and prescriptive are terms used to describe traditional and modern grammar. Write a good answer to compare and contrast the two forms of grammar. Use examples to support your answer. [20 Marks]

Question 2: Analyse the sentences below following the Immediate Constituent Analysis using a tree. [35 Marks]

2.1. The child found the puppy in the garden (15 marks)

2.2. My dog Aristotle bit the postal carrier on the ankle (10 marks).

Question 3: Choose the correct option and answer in the exam booklet. [10 Marks]

3.1. Which of the words below doesn't contain a derivational morpheme?

- a) Doable
- b) Refusal
- c) Strongest
- d) Quickly

3.2. The words _____ all end with an alveolar sound. [1]

- a) Run, hit, gaze
- b) Smoke, ring, beg
- c) Sniff, leave, bathe
- d) Bleed, stub, glow

3.3. Which of the phrases below has the structure represented by the rule VP → V NP P [1]

- a) Was late for the meeting
- b) Told the police officer about the murder
- c) Rejected the offer yesterday
- d) Bought the book on British history

3.4. The process of blending is illustrated in: [1]

- a) Takeover, reprint
- b) Sitcom, radar
- c) Motel, telex
- d) To sculpt, to televise

3.5. who introduced in linguistics the concept of Langue and Parole? [1]

- a) Naom Chomsky
- b) Edward Sapir
- c) Ferdinand de Saussure
- d) Charles Sanders Pierce

3.6. The type of study of the changes in language over a span of time is called... [1]

- a) Semiotic
- b) Onomatopoeic
- c) Synchronic
- d) Diachronic

3.7. The form "dog" is a Morpheme. [1]

- a) Bound morpheme
- b) None of these
- c) A free morpheme
- d) Free variation

3.8. are gliding sounds during the articulation of which, the speech organs glide from one vowel position to another. [1]

- a) Triphthongs
- b) Semi-vowels
- c) Minimal pair
- d) Diphthongs

3.9. sounds articulated with the tip of the tongue or the blade of the tongue against the teeth ridge are called... [1]

- a) Alveolar
- b) Labio dental
- c) Bilabial
- d)Dental

3.10. The initial sounds in the words 'ship, church' and judge; are examples for..... [1]

- a) Velar
- b) Bilabial
- c) Palatal
- d) Palato-alveolar

Question 4.1: Define the terms homonymy and polysemy and provide examples to each.

[10 Marks]

4.2. Create examples to distinguish denotation and connotation.

[10 Marks]

4.3. Analyze sentences according to their main parts:

[15

Marks]

- ✓ Immediate constituents
- ✓ Draw a diagram to show the two main parts of a sentence.

[The End: 100 Marks]