

**TILAK MAHARASHTRA UNIVERSITY, PUNE**  
**MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.) English (Part I)**  
**May 2009 Examination**  
**Sub: The Structure of Modern English (E-104)**

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**Date: 22/05/2008**

**Total marks: 100**

**Time: 10.00am to 1.00pm**

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**Instructions:**

- 1) All questions are compulsory.
- 2) Each question carries 20 marks.
- 3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.

**Q. 1. a)** What is meant by the term language? **(20)**

**OR**

b) What are sender-related barriers in communication?

**Q. 2. a)** How are vowel sounds produced? Explain with examples. **(20)**

**OR**

b) What is word accent? How does accent vary from place to place?

**Q. 3. a)** What is word formation? Explain with examples two ways in which words are formed. **(20)**

**OR**

b) What is meant by – i) dialect ii) style?

**Q. 4. a)** Elaborate on pragmatics and speech-acts. **(20)**

**OR**

b) Mention the lexical and spelling differences between British English and American English.

**Q. 5. Answer in brief. (any Two)** **(20)**

1. What are synonyms?
2. What are compound vowels?
3. What is 'R. P. English'?
4. Identify the errors in the following sentences and write the correct sentences –
  - i) Why he did this?
  - ii) He has made a new discovery.
  - iii) Jack entered into the room.
  - iv) Neither of the two girls know the answer.
  - v) My all things were damaged.