

**TILAK MAHARASHTRA VIDYAPEETH, PUNE**  
**MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.) English (Part I)**  
**May 2010 Examination**  
**Sub: The Structure of Modern English (E-104)**

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**Date: 21/05/2010**

**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) Which factors Cause Sender- related and receiver related barriers in communication? (20)**

**OR**

b) Explain any three functions of language.

**Q. 2. a) Define a phoneme, an allophone, a syllable and a minimal pair with examples. (20)**

**OR**

b) What is meant by the 'Morphology of English'?

**Q. 3. a) What is pragmatics the study of? How is it related to speech –acts? (20)**

**OR**

b) 'Weak forms and Intonation play an important role in English '- Elaborate.

**Q. 4. a) Do you agree that British English, American English and English Indian are Varieties of the English language? Give reasons. (20)**

**OR**

b) What do you understand by the term i) Dialect ii) Sociolect iii) Idiolect  
iv) Register v) Style?

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

- a. Language is arbitrary and a rule governed behaviour.
  - b. 'The Organs of Speech'- How do they function?
  - c. The four maxims of Co-operative principle.
  - d. Identify the errors in the following sentences and write the correct sentences –
    - i) Are you understanding the problem?
    - ii) Mary is going to Pune?
    - iii) She won't do it, isn't it?
    - iv) We prefers studying in the morning.
    - v) The villager had five sheeps.
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