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| Republic of Yemen Hodeidah University Faculty of Education- Zabid Department of English Date: 02/02/2014 | In the name of Allah Final 1st Semester Exam (Regulars)  | Level & Course: 2nd Year English Subject: Introduction to Language 1 Time: 3 hours Total marks: 150 Teacher: Dr. Abdullah Shaghi |
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I. Say whether the following statements are true (T) or false (F): (3 x 10 = 30 marks)

1. The course provides an introduction to the scientific study of human language. T/F
2. Language, as Sapir said, is human and non-instinctive. T/F
3. A language is a system of arbitrary written symbols used for human communications. T/F
4. The part of our body through which air passes during speech is known as the vocal tract. T/F
5. It is the feature of all languages that new utterances are continually being created. T/F
6. The variety of English expected in communication in various disciplines is called Standard English. T/F
7. Language is essentially speech produced by oral-auditory symbols. T/F
8. Arabic has 28 consonants (English 20) and 8 vowels/diphthongs (English 24). T/F
9. Signs are composed of sounds, gestures, or letters, depending on spoken, signed, or written language. T/F
10. What refers to a system enabling users to talk nonsense or to lie is called Prevarication (=Avoidance). T/F

II. Use these 5 terms: (i) Arbitrariness, (ii) Consonants, (iii) Phonemes, (iv) Displacement, (v) Interchangeability) to complete the following statements appropriately. (6 x 5 = 30 marks)

1. _____ refers to all members of the species that can send and receive messages.
2. _____ are the smallest units in the sound system of a human language.
3. _____ means that there is no inherent relationship between a token and its referent..
4. _____ are described according to place of articulation, manner of articulation and voicing.
5. _____ means the users of the system are able to refer to events remote in space and time.

III. Define briefly any three of the following topics . (10 x 3 = 30 marks)

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| 1. Language 3. Communication vs. Language 5. Morphology 7. Semantics | 2. Signs 4. Phonetics 6. Syntax 8. Standard English |
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IV. Write short notes with examples on any two of the following topics: (2 x 15 = 30 marks)

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| 1. Any Two Definitions of Language 2. Standard English (SE) 3. Animal Communication 4. The General Study of Language | 5. Standard Arabic (SA) 6. Human Language 7. Human Communication 8. Standard Language (SL) |
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V. Write an essay on any one of the following topics: (1 x 30 = 30 marks)

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| 1. Human Language vs Animal Communication 3. Summary of Introduction to Language 1 5. Human Communication & Human Language | 2. Standard Language, Standard English & Standard Arabic 4. Some difference in English-Arabic Phonetics & Phonology 6. Structure of Language |
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☺ *Best wishes & Good luck!* ☺

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