

Republic of Yemen Hodeidah University Zabid College of Education Department of English Date: 12/01/2014	<b>In the name of Allah</b> Final 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Exam (Repeaters) 	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): (4 x 10 = 40 marks)**

1. A language is a system of arbitrary vocal symbols used for human communications. ( )
2. Language is a symbol system based on pure arbitrary conventions. ( )
3. It is the feature of all languages that new utterances are continually being produced. ( )
4. Standard English is the variety of English expected in formal communication in various disciplines. ( )
5. The general study of Language is structurally organized at five levels or subsystems. ( )
6. There is no natural connection between a linguistic form and its meaning. ( )
7. Human speech is based on the concept of IPA sounds. ( )
8. The combination <b.o.o.k> join to form a meaningful word 'book'. ( )
9. Linguists agree that many animals are able to communicate, but they do not have 'human language'. ( )
10. Signs are composed of sounds, gestures, or letters, depending on spoken, signed, or written language. ( )

**II. Use these 5 terms: (i) Standard Arabic(SA), (ii) Signs, (iii) Language, (iv) Standard English (SE), (v) Standard language (SL)) to complete the following statements appropriately. (6 x 5 = 30 marks)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is the variety of English expected in formal communication in various disciplines.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ as Sapir said, is human and non-instinctive.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ is a language variety used by a group of people in their public discourse.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ represent sounds, gestures, or letters.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ is a variety of Arabic used in writing and in most formal speech.

**III. Define briefly any four of the following topics . (4 x 10 = 40 marks)**

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| 1. Language        | 2. Syntax            |
| 3. Morphology      | 4. Standard Language |
| 5. Signs           | 6. Phonology         |
| 7. Standard Arabic | 8. Standard English  |

**IV. Write short notes with examples on any four of the following topics: (4 x 10 = 40 marks)**

1. Any Two Definitions of Language
2. Standard English
3. Animal Communication
4. The general study of Language
5. Standard Arabic
6. Human Language
7. Introduction to Language 1
8. Standard Language

**Best wishes & good luck!**

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