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**St. Joseph's College (Autonomous)  
V Semester BA Examination—October 2019  
Optional English Elective--Linguistics (OE 5215)**

Time allotted: 2 ½ hours

Marks: 70

**Instructions**

1. This paper is for **V semester BA-EJP** students who have opted for **Linguistics**
2. You are **NOTALLOWED** to use a dictionary
3. Please stick to the word-limits suggested.
4. This paper contains **TWO** pages and **FOUR** sections

**I. Write short notes on ANY TWO of the following in about 150 words each: (2x5=10)**

1. The Vowel Quadrilateral
2. Calques
3. Iconic signs

**II. Answer ANY ONE in about 250-300 words (20 marks)**

1. What is Morphology? Explain the various morphemic relations that are possible in the English language.
2. Describe the Saussurean distinctions. How do Saussure's ideas offer us a new way of reflecting about Language?

**III.A. Transcribe the following sentence into IPA. (10)**

**It's been a hard day's night**

**III.B. Classify the consonants by category (plosives etc) in the word given below, and describe each of the consonants in terms of voice, and place of articulation. Pick out the diphthong in the word, and give five other words containing the same diphthong:**

**(10 marks)**

**Mesmerising /mɛzməraɪzɪŋ/**

**IV.A. Identify the process of word-formation that produced these samples: (5)**

1. Televise
2. Mixie
3. Chauffeur
4. Perm (from permanent wave)
5. Prefab

**IV.B. List the morphemes in each of the words given below, and identify free and bound morphemes: (5)**

1. Unbilled
2. Masters
3. Enchant
4. Balmy
5. Harder

**IV.C. Draw a word tree for each of the items given below (5 marks)**

1. Rumbling
2. Merriment
3. Unforgivable
4. Reworkings
5. Quarrelsomeness

**IV.D. Classify the lexemes given below in terms of Simple, Compound and Complex and justify your decision with evidence. (5 marks)**

1. Regard
2. Marginal
3. Photobombing
4. Facebook
5. Mackerel