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## MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH

## Term-End Examination June, 2010

**MEG-4: ASPECTS OF LANGUAGE** 

Time: 3 hours Maximum Marks: 100

Note: Question no. 1 is compulsory. Answer any five questions. All questions carry equal marks.

- Write short notes on any two of the following.
  Illustrate your answers with examples. 10x2=20
  - (a) Pidgins and creoles
  - (b) Compounding in English
  - (c) Speech acts
  - (d) Dialect
- 2. Give an account of the major theories on the origin of language.
- 3. Outline the history of changes in The English 20 Spelling System.

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- 4. Describe the English consonants with examples. 20
- Discuss with examples the different sentence types in English.
- 6. Discuss the consequences of Bilingualism for the individual, society and languages.
- What is a Standard language? Give an account of the various stages in the standardisation of English.