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MA DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION – NOVEMBER 2015

SEMESTER: 1, SUBJECT - ENGLISH

COURSE: P1ENGT01 – CHAUCER AND THE ROOTS OF ENGLISH

(Regular, Supplementary / Improvement)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

Part AI. Answer any **FIVE** of the following, each in a paragraph of about **50** words

1. Romance languages
2. Divergent development of languages
3. Celts
4. Ablaut
5. Old English dialect
6. Cynewulf
7. Witangemot
8. How is Chaucer's English different from Old English?

(5 x 3 = 15)

Part BII. Write short essays of about **100** words on any **FIVE** of the following:

9. Grimm's law
10. Umlaut
11. Middle English Vocabulary
12. Wycliffe and the Lollards
13. Theories regarding the origin of language (any five)
14. Write a note on the pilgrims as mentioned in the *Prologue to the Canterbury Tales*
15. The introduction to the Prologue is a worthy curtain raiser to a magnificent work of literature. Comment.
16. French influence on English Vocabulary

(6 x 5 = 30)

Part CIII. Write essays of about **300** words each on any **TWO** of the following:

17. Indo European family of languages
18. Major features of Old English with regard to grammar, spelling, phonology, vocabulary and dialects
19. Discuss the structural organization of *Beowulf*
20. Attempts at translating the Bible

(15 x 2 = 30)
