

SOUTH EASTERN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATIONS IN BACHELOR OF ARTS (EXTERNAL) – 2007 / 2008
HELD IN AUGUST - 2008**

ENG 2.15 - INTRODUCTION TO LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

Answer any five questions.

Time : 03 Hours

1. Draw a diagram of the Vocal Tract and mark the following organs of speech.
 - i. Hard Palate
 - ii. Soft Palate
 - iii. Uvula
 - iv. Epiglottis
 - v. Larynx
 - vi. Trachea
 - vii. Tip of Tongue
 - viii. Blade of Tongue
 - ix. Front of Tongue
 - x. Back of Tongue

2. Describe the four levels of language developed by Bloomfield.

3. What is the role of 'Determiners' in English Language? Discuss with examples.

4. Transcribe the following words into phonetic scripts:
 - i. Photography
 - ii. Expert
 - iii. Mother
 - iv. Incident
 - v. Language
 - vi. English
 - vii. Features
 - viii. Judge
 - ix. Table
 - x. Out

5. "A language is a system of arbitrary vocal symbols by means of which a social group co-operates". Discuss this definition of language in relation to its features.

6. What are the 'Clauses' in English language? Illustrate your answer with examples.
7. Explain Native and Non-native accents of English in terms of their linguistic features.
8. Write short notes on the following:
- i. Intonation
 - ii. Acronyms
 - iii. Finite and Non-finite verbs
 - iv. Noun Phrase
