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**FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2022
(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)**

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE
FENG1C03-HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Weightage: 30

Part A: Short essay questions. Answer any *five* questions. Each carries *two* weightage.

1. The Great Vowel Shift.
2. Bible translations.
3. Milton's contribution to English language.
4. Pidgin and Creole.
5. English-language spelling reform.
6. Verner's law.
7. Discrepancy between spelling and pronunciation in English.

(5 × 2 = 10 weightage)

Part B: Long essay questions. Answer any *four* questions. Each carries *five* weightage.

8. Trace the evolution of Germanic branch from the Indo-European family of languages and explain its characteristic features.
9. Explain the different types of Word Formation in English.
10. Examine the effects of colonialism on the development of English language.
11. Write an essay on the semantic changes in English.
12. Attempt a comparison of British and American English.
13. "Viewed freely, the English language is the accretion and growth of every dialect, race, and range of time, and is both free and compacted composition of all." Examine Whitman's statement in the context of Digital Age.

(4 × 5 = 20 weightage)