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*A List of Works that may profitably be consulted in answering the Questions contained in this book.*

MORRIS, *Elementary Lessons in Historical English Grammar.*

ANGUS, *Handbook of the English Tongue.*

DALGLEISH, *Grammatical Analysis.*

DANIEL, *Grammar, History and Derivation of the English Language.*

FLEMING, *Analysis of the English Language.*

MASON, *English Grammar.*

MEIKLEJOHN, *Book of the English Language.*



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## QUESTIONS ON THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.

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### I. HISTORY OF THE LANGUAGE AND OF THE ARYAN FAMILY OF LANGUAGES.

(MORRIS, Chaps. 1-3).

1. To what family of Languages does English belong? Give any facts showing its relation to some other languages of Europe. (1879).

2. Represent in tabular form the stocks and languages of the Indo-European family that have contributed to the formation of English. (1888).

3. Show the relation between English and the other Languages of the Indo-European Family. (1881).

4. Sketch the position of English among allied languages. (1879).

5. Make a table showing the relationship of English to the other languages of the Indo-European Family. (1873, 1880).

6. In what parts of speech, and in what classes of terms, have we the greatest proportion of words of Saxon origin? Give examples of any words which you know by their form or spelling to be of foreign derivation. (1863).

7. What traces in particular have Danish Invasions left in the language of this country? (1877).

8. Point out some of the chief signs of Teutonic origin in English words. (1872).

9. In what directions and through what channels has the Latin language left its impress on English? (1885).

10. In what way, and at what times, have Latin elements been introduced into the English language? (1877).

11. Mention some ten Latin words that appear in English in two forms, one coming directly, the other indirectly. (1884).

12. At what different periods has a Latin element been introduced into our language? Give examples of Latin words introduced in the several periods mentioned. (1881).

13. Account historically for the presence in our language of so many words of Latin origin. Under what circumstances have the most important additions of this kind been made? and what is the general character of words so derived? (1861).

14. Enumerate the channels through which words from the Latin were introduced into English, and classify the Latin elements accordingly. (1876).

15. Distinguish the successive periods of the introduction of a Latin element into English, and illustrate by examples the effect of each upon the language. (1882).