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Second Year

Linguistics

SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS

Time : 3 hours   Maximum marks : 75

I.   Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each.   (3 × 5 = 15)

1.   What is the difference between syntax and semantics?

2.   What is meant by pragmatic?

3.   How is speech-act theory used?

4.   What is the concept of polysemy?

5.   Write about lexical semantics.

II.   Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each.   (3 × 10 = 30)

6.   What are the different levels of speech acts?

7.   Write some examples of polysemy.

8. What does ambiguity mean in linguistics?

9. What does the term illocutionary act mean in speech act?

10. Write about politeness theory in pragmatics.

III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each. $(2 \times 15 = 30)$

11. Write an essay on the nature and scope of semantics.

12. Discuss in detail about interfaces.

13. Discuss semantics and lexicon.

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STYLISTICS AND DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

Time : 3 hours   Maximum marks : 75

I.   Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each. $(3 \times 5 = 15)$

1.   What is phonographical level?

2.   Write about figures of speech.

3.   Define simile and metaphor.

4.   What are the advantages of narrative techniques?

5.   What is meant by deviation?

II.   Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each. $(3 \times 10 = 30)$

6.   How can discourse analysis considered as a social phenomenon?

7.   What are the goals of stylistics?

8. What is meant by cohesive and coherence?

9. What are the advantages of characterization through language?

10. What is meant by discursive language?

III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each. $(2 \times 15 = 30)$

11. Write an essay on the levels of linguistics analysis.

12. Write an essay on the impact of discourse analysis on the ways societal structures and process are encoded.

13. Write an interpretation of literary pieces through stylistic analysis with special reference to prose, poetry, drama and novel.

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HISTORICAL AND COMPARATIVE LINGUISTICS

Time : 3 hours   Maximum marks : 75

I.   Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each.   (3 × 5 = 15)

1.   What is the difference between synchronic and Diachronic linguistics?

2.   Define linguistic affinity.

3.   Why is a dialect usually interpreted geographically?

4.   What are the dissimilarities at morphological levels?

5.   List out the problems of historical linguistics.

II. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each.   (3 × 10 = 30)

6.   What is the role of verbal system in language Typology?

7.   What is the need for internal reconstruction in linguistics?

8. Write about non-phonological linguistic change.

9. What is the importance of person and number gender in language typology?

10. What is meant by comparative method in linguistics?

III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each. (2 × 15 = 30)

11. Write an essay on language typology and its role in linguistics.

12. Write an essay on the importance of comparative linguistics in language acquisition.

13. Enumerate the major roles of historical and comparative linguistics.

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COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS

Time : 3 hours   Maximum marks : 75

I.   Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each :   (3 × 5 = 15)

1.   Define computational linguistics.

2.   List out some of the examples of computational linguistics.

3.   What are the goals of natural language processing?

4.   What is meant by acoustic phonetics?

5.   Why is computational linguistics hard?

II. Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each : (3 × 10 = 30)

6. Why say 'Computational Linguistics' (CL) versus 'Natural Language Processing'?

7. Write about syntactical parsing.

8. What is the difference between computational linguistics before 1990 and after 1990?

9. What are the effective applications of computational linguistics?

10. What are the benefits of machine translation?

III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each : (2 × 15 = 30)

11. What is the main concern of computational linguistics and how does it differ from other linguistics? Explain.

12. Write an essay on computational linguistics and its latest developments.

13. Write a brief essay on phonetics, speech synthesis, computational phonology and speech recognizer.

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LEXICOGRAPHY

Time : 3 hours　　　　　　Maximum marks : 75

I.　Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 50 words each :　　　　(3 × 5 = 15)

1.　What is meant by lexicography?

2.　What are the two components of lexicography?

3.　What is the electronic difference between glossary dictionary and lexicon?

4.　What are dialectal and socio-dialect variations?

5.　Define orthography.

II.　Answer any THREE of the following questions in about 150 words each :　　　　(3 × 10 = 30)

6.　What are the current views on lexicography?

7.　Write about the theoretical framework for lexicography.

8. What is meant by general and specific Encyclopedia?

9. What is the role of collocation, idioms and phrases and paraphrases lexicographical entries?

10. What are the uses of lexicography?

III. Answer any TWO of the following questions in about 300 words each : $(2 \times 15 = 30)$

11. Write an essay on the types of dictionaries and its usage to public in a far better way.

12. Discuss the various practical problems in lexicography.

13. Write an essay on the basic concepts of lexicography.

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