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**HOME / SPOT ASSIGNMENT**

Programme Code No : 237  
Programme Name : MA Linguistics (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)  
Course Code & Name : **MAL-21 Semantics and Pragmatics**  
Batch : AY 2018-2019  
No. of Assignment : Three  
Maximum CIA marks : 25 (Average of three Assignments)

**ASSIGNMENT – 1**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Write an essay on the nature and scope of semantics.
- 2) Write about politeness theory in pragmatics.
- 3) Describe the impact of ambiguity mean in linguistics?

**ASSIGNMENT – 2**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Discuss semantics and lexicon.
- 2) What does the term illocutionary act mean in speech act?
- 3) Write a note on Speech Act Analysis.

**ASSIGNMENT – 3**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) What is meant by Computational Semantics and Lexical Semantics?
- 2) Discuss the types of meaning.
- 3) Write an essay on Polysemy, Homonymy, Antonymy, Synonymy and Hyponymy.



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Programme Code No : 237  
Programme Name : MA Linguistics (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)  
Course Code & Name : **MAL-22 Stylistics and Discourse Analysis**  
Batch : AY 2018-2019  
No. of Assignment : Three  
Maximum CIA marks : 25 (Average of three Assignments)

**ASSIGNMENT – 1**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Describe elaborately on the scope and goals of Stylistics.
- 2) Write about Lexico-semantic level, Phonological level and syntactic level of linguistic analysis.
- 3) What is meant by Discourse Analysis? Explain with examples.

**ASSIGNMENT – 2**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Write an essay on Deviation, Fragmenting, Parallelism, Figures of Speech, Simile and Metaphor.
- 2) Enumerate elaborately on different types of literary forms.
- 3) How can discourse analysis considered as a social phenomenon?

**ASSIGNMENT – 3**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Explain levels of linguistics analysis.
- 2) Write an essay on the impact of discourse analysis on the ways societal structures and process are encoded.
- 3) Interpret the literary pieces through stylistic analysis with special reference to prose, poetry, drama and novel.



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Programme Code No : 237  
Programme Name : MA Linguistics (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)  
Course Code & Name : **MAL-23 Historical and Comparative Linguistics**  
Batch : AY 2018-2019  
No. of Assignment : Three  
Maximum CIA marks : 25 (Average of three Assignments)

**ASSIGNMENT – 1**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) What is the need for internal reconstruction in linguistics?
- 2) Write about non-phonological linguistic change.
- 3) What is the importance of person and number gender in language typology?

**ASSIGNMENT – 2**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Enumerate the major roles of historical and comparative linguistics.
- 2) Write an essay on the importance of comparative linguistics in language acquisition.
- 3) Explain the Language family tree model.

**ASSIGNMENT – 3**

Maximum : 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Write a note on Etymology.
- 2) What are the general principles of Historical Linguistics? Explain.
- 3) Write an essay on Comparative Linguistics.



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Programme Code No : 237  
Programme Name : MA Linguistics (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)  
Course Code & Name : **MAL-24 Computational Linguistics**  
Batch : AY 2018-2019  
No. of Assignment : Three  
Maximum CIA marks : 25 (Average of three Assignments)

**ASSIGNMENT – 1**

Maximum: 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Describe briefly on the scope of Computational Linguistics.
- 2) Describe the Features and Unification grammar.
- 3) Write elaborately on Text to Speech Synthesizer and Automatic Speech Recognizer.

**ASSIGNMENT – 2**

Maximum: 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Explain in detail about the Morphological and Syntactic parsing.
- 2) Enumerate elaborately on Spell Checker, Optical Character recognizer, Informational extraction and Machine Translation.
- 3) Explain 'Computational Linguistics' (CL) and 'Natural Language Processing'?

**ASSIGNMENT – 3**

Maximum: 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Write an essay on computational linguistics and its latest developments.
- 2) Discuss :phonetics, speech synthesis, computational phonology and speech recognizer.
- 3) What are the benefits of machine translation?



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Programme Code No : 237  
Programme Name : MA Linguistics (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)  
Course Code & Name : **MAL-25 Lexicography**  
Batch : AY 2018-2019  
No. of Assignment : Three  
Maximum CIA marks : 25 (Average of three Assignments)

**ASSIGNMENT – 1**

Maximum: 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Write about the theoretical framework for lexicography.
- 2) What is meant by general and specific Encyclopedia?
- 3) Write an essay on the types of dictionaries and its usage to public in a far better way.

**ASSIGNMENT – 2**

Maximum: 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) Write an essay on the basic concepts of lexicography.
- 2) Discuss the various practical problems in lexicography.
- 3) What is the role of collocation, idioms and phrases and paraphrases lexicographical entries?

**ASSIGNMENT – 3**

Maximum: 25 marks

**Answer any one of the question not exceeding 1000 words.**

- 1) How is the Corpus useful for dictionary making?
- 2) Illustrate the usage of dictionary in Language teaching.
- 3) How a Bilingual dictionary is prepared? Explain in detail.