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School of Liberal Education

Bachelor of Arts Honours in English

Mid Term Examination - Mar 2024

Duration : 90 Minutes

Max Marks : 50

Sem VI - K1UC604T - Introduction to SemanticsGeneral Instructions*Answer to the specific question asked**Draw neat, labelled diagrams wherever necessary**Approved data hand books are allowed subject to verification by the Invigilator*

- 1) How does semantics contribute to our understanding of language structure and meaning? K2 (2)
- 2) Explain the concept of linguistic ambiguity and provide an example. K1 (3)
- 3) How do context and pragmatics influence the interpretation of meaning in semantics? K2 (4)
- 4) Discuss the role of semantics in the development of language and linguistic competence in individuals. K2 (6)
- 5) Utilize semantic analysis to identify and discuss the potential sources of ambiguity in a sentence. The sentence is : "The teacher told the students that she would discuss the assignment in the library." K3 (6)
- 6) How can semantic knowledge be used to enhance the effectiveness of cross-cultural communication? K3 (9)
- 7) Examine a piece of literature and analyze how the author uses semantics to convey specific themes or emotions. K4 (8)
- 8) Investigate the semantic shifts that occur over time in the usage of a particular word. What factors contribute to these changes? K4 (12)

OR

Compare the semantic features of languages from different language families and discuss the implications for translation. K4 (12)