18. Explain free and bound morphemes.

19. Elaborate on the use of prefixes with examples.

20. Write on sentence meaning and utterance meaning.

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(For the candidates admitted from 2012 –13 onwards)

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Fifth Semester

English

GRAMMAR AND SEMANTICS

Time : Three hours   Maximum : 75 marks

SECTION A — (20 marks)

I. Answer the following questions in about 30 words each: (10 × 2 = 20)

1. What are full words and empty words?

2. Give the past and past participle for the following words:

   write, cut

3. How many morphemes are there in the word 'playing'? What are they?

4. Explain the ambiguity in the following sentence:

   Flying planes can be dangerous.

5. What are bound morphemes?

6. Define 'Complex words'. Give an example.

7. Form new words for the following words by adding prefixes:

   possible, stable, entity, represent

8. What are acronyms?

9. How is thematic meaning communicated?

10. What is Entailment?

SECTION B — (25 marks)

II. Answer the following questions in about 100 words each: $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

11. (a) Write a short note on empty words with examples.

   Or

   (b) Distinguish between functional labels and category labels.

12. (a) What are the points emphasized by the descriptive linguistics?

   Or

   (b) Derive the following sentences from their kernels:

   (i) Who presided over the meeting?

   (ii) What does linguistics teach you?

13. (a) Define morphology with examples.

   Or

   (b) Give the morphological analysis for the word "unknowingly" with the help of a tree diagram.

14. (a) With examples, explain the different types of conversions.

   Or

   (b) Give the examples for reduplication.

15. (a) Write a short note on social meaning.

   Or

   (b) Discuss entailment and presupposition in the following sentence:

   John's father lives in New York.

SECTION C — (30 marks)

III. Answer any THREE questions in about 200 words each: $(3 \times 10 = 30)$

16. What do you understand by the term parts of speech? How do you find the traditional definitions of some parts of speech insufficient?

17. What are the limitations of IC analysis?