



LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034

M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION - ENGLISH LITERATURE

THIRD SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2011

EL 3808 - DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

Date : 04-11-2011
Time : 9:00 - 12:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

I Answer any four of the following in about 150 words each.

(4x5=20)

1. Explain illocutionary speech act with examples.
2. Discuss the concept of speech act.
3. Bring out how presupposition is important in pragmatics.
4. Explain Anaphora with examples.
5. What is the difference between style-shifting and code switching.

II. Answer any one of the following in about 450 words.

(1x20=20)

1. Define and describe speech event.
2. The codes elaborated and restricted are acquired through exposure to different speech mode. Explain.

III Answer any Five of the following in about 75 words each:

(5x 5 =25)

1. Write a short note on the Transactional function of Language.
2. What is the contribution of Discourse Analysis in describing the property of language.
3. What is a constative sentence?
4. Write a short note on the problem in studying politeness.
5. Write a note on Maxim of quality.
6. Write any one feature of racist discourse.

IV Answer any Two of the following in about 150 words each:

(2 x 10 =20)

1. How is conversational implicature different from Conventional implicature?
2. Write on the inadequacy of the Politeness Principle.
3. Explain with a suitable example how most of the Indian Languages are casteist in nature.

V Answer the following in about 300 words :

(15 Marks)

1. Write an Essay on any Four Principles of Politeness.

(Or)

2. Explain the gender bias in English.
