

Prescribed Text: *Linguistics: An Introduction-* (Ed. Board of Editors, Orient BlackSwan)

(Following topics from **chapter – 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of the prescribed book**)

1. Phonology:

- 1) Organs of speech, speech mechanisms,
- 2) Description and classification of consonants and vowels,
- 3) Concept of syllable,
- 4) Word accent, sentence accent,
- 5) Tone groups, placement of nuclear/tonic accent,
- 6) Concept of intonation, uses/types of tones

2. Morphology:

1. What is morphology?
2. Concept of morpheme, allomorph, zero allomorph, types of morphemes (free and - bound), Prefixes and Suffixes (class-changing and class-maintaining),
3. Inflectional and Derivational suffixes, borrowings

3. Sociolinguistics:

1. National varieties of English: British, American and Indian
2. Regional and social dialects, standard dialect, concept of register, formal and informal styles
3. Pidgins and Creoles, code-switching and code mixing

4. Syntax:

1. Concept of Phrase, Phrase structure rules/ types of Phrases: Noun phrase, Adjective phrase, Adverb phrase, Prepositional phrase and Verb phrase.
2. Concept of Clause, Parts of Clauses: Subjects and objects, complements and

Adverbials, Concept of Subject –verb Concord, Clause patterns.

3. Types of Sentences: Structural Classification - Simple Sentence, Compound Sentence and Complex sentence
4. Types of Sentences: Functional Classification - (affirmatives/interrogatives/imperatives) Wh –questions, Yes-No Questions, Tag Questions, Negative Sentences, Do-support, Imperatives

5. Semantics: (Introductory)

1. What is Semantics? Difference between Denotative and Connotative meaning
2. Lexical relations: Synonymy, Antonymy, Homonymy, Homography and Homophony, Polysemy, Difference between Homonymy and Polysemy, Superordinate terms and Hyponymy, Metonymy.

6. Pragmatics: (Introductory)

1. What is Pragmatics?
2. Speech Acts: Types
 - a. Austin’s typology - locutionary, illocutionary, perlocutionary.
 - b. Searle’s typology – the six types
 - c. Direct and Indirect Speech Acts
3. The Co-operative Principle and Its Maxims
4. The Politeness Principle and Its Maxims