

Semester-V

3. MJ 11: LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS-I

Objectives:

1. to make students grasp the structure and various parts of English language.
2. to make students understand the language, dialects and factors governing the relationship thereof.
3. to make students appreciate various functions that a language performs.
4. to make students recognize that language acquisition and learning can take place without the fear of making errors.

	Subject and Objectives	Lectures Hrs	Methodology	Evaluation Mode
Unit-I		15Hrs		
	Definition and Characteristics of Language; How Human Language is different from Animal Communication; Unique Properties of Human Language; Varieties of Language.	15	Lectures, discussion	Q & A, Assignments
Unit-II		15Hrs		
	Definition and Nature of Linguistics; Linguistics as a Science; Scope of Linguistics- Descriptive, Comparative and Historical Linguistics; Levels of Linguistic Analysis, Some Major Linguistic Concepts- Synchrony and Diachrony, Langue and Parole, Competence and Performance, Substance and Form, Syntagmatic and Paradigmatic Relationships.	15	Lectures, discussion	Q & A
Unit-III		15Hrs		
	Definition and Branches of Phonetics; Speech Mechanism- the Organs of Speech; Phonology- Phoneme and Allophone; Classification and Description of the Consonants and Vowels of English.	15	Lectures, discussion	Q & A, Assignments
Unit-IV		15Hrs		
	The Syllable- The Structure of the Syllable in English; Word Stress; Stress and Rhythm in Connected Speech; Intonation.	15	Lectures, discussion	Q & A, Assignments

Reference books:

1. George Yule. The Study of Language.
2. T. Balasubramanian. A Textbook of English Phonetics for Indian Students.
3. Puspinder Syal and D.V. Jindal. An Introduction to Linguistics: Language, Grammar and Semantics.