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**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF
ARTS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS**

ENGL 833: SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS

STREAMS: MA (ENGL)

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 12/04/2018

8.30 A.M. – 11.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer ANY FOUR questions.**

1. What is the relationship between semiotics, semantics and pragmatics? (15 marks)
 2. Discuss the nature and consequences of semantic change in time and space. (15 marks)
 3. “Reference and sense are like two sides of the same coin in semantics.”
Analyze this statement. (15 marks)
 4. Explain and critique the theory of componential analysis. (15 marks)
 5. Critically examine the Speech Act theory as a theory of language use. (15 marks)
 6. Discuss the role of presuppositions in the codification of meaning. (15 marks)
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