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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN LINGUISTICS**

ENGL 931: SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS

STREAMS: PHD (LINGUISTICS)

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 23/04/2020

8.30 AM – 11.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS

1. “Reference and sense are like two sides of the same coin in semantics”. Briefly explain this statement. [15 marks]
 2. Discuss using any two theories of meaning, show how semantics differs from Pragmatics. [15 marks]
 3. Show the relationship between meaning and truth; explicating the various types of truth. [15 marks]
 4. Explain the Neo-Gricean approaches to inferential pragmatics. [15 marks]
 5. Discuss how presuppositions can be used in the codification of meaning. [15 marks]
 6. Discuss the nature and causes of semantic change in time and space. [15 marks]
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