SADAR PATEL UNIVERSITY
BA (Logic & Philosophy) Sem.- I
Skill Enhancement

UA01SPHI21 : Philosophy of Language

Unit-1. Philosophy and Language

Philosopher's concern with language- Metaphysics, Logic and Epistemology, Philosophy as Analysis, Problems of the philosophy of language.

Unit-2. Theories of Meaning

Meaning and Reference, Denotation and Connotation, Meaning as a kind of Entity, (The Ideational theory, Behavioral theories of Meaning).

Unit-3. Meaning and the use of Language

Meaning as a function of use, types of Linguistic acts- Illocutionary, Perlocutionary (Problems concerning synonyms, Emotive meaning).

Unit-4. Dimensions of Meaning

Vagueness, Kinds of Vagueness, Precision through quantification, Metaphorical and other figurative uses of language.

References:

1. Alston, Willam P., 1988, Philosophy of Language, New Delhi, Prentice-Hall of India P. Ltd.

