



K16P 1132

Reg. No. :

Name :

Third Semester M.A./M.Sc./M.Com. Degree (Reg./Suppl./Imp.)

Examination, November 2016

(2013 and Earlier Admissions)

PHILOSOPHY

PH 112 : Philosophy of Language

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – A

Answer **any one** of the following in an essay of **not** more than **1000** words.
Each question carries **15** marks.

1. Give an exposition of Bertrand Russell's theory of definite descriptions.
2. Elucidate the main themes of Philosophical Investigations.

(1×15=15)

PART – B

Answer **any four** of the following in a short essay of **not** more than **600** words. **Each** question carries **10** marks :

3. Give a brief account of G. E. Moore's analysis of meaning and reference.
4. Elucidate G. Frege's notion of concept and object.
5. Examine the Logical Positivists approach to metaphysics.
6. Elucidate Wittgenstein's picture theory of language.
7. Briefly describe Dummet's theory of meaning.
8. Account for Saussurean revolution in language.

(4×10=40)

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PART - C

Answer **any five** of the following in **not more than 250 words each**. Each question carries **5 marks** :

9. Elucidate the notion of sense and reference following G. Frege.
10. "Occam's razor".
11. Ordinary language.
12. Language games.
13. Quine's two dogmas of empiricism.
14. 'Category mistake'.
15. 'Homophonic theory of Truth'.
16. Transformational grammar.

(5×5=25)