

**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.
2. Morris, Charles, 1946, Signs, Language and Behavior, Englewood Cliffs, Prentice-Hall, Inc.
3. Waismann, Friedrich, 1952, Logic and Language (ed.) A. Flew, Oxford, Basil Blackwell.
4. Linski Leonard (ed.), 1952, Semantics and Philosophy of Language, Urbana, Illinois, University of Illinois Press.