

?What is meant by affixation-

It is the addition of a prefix or a suffix to a word for the purpose of making another word (e.g. Laugh-laughter) or another form of the same (word (nice- nicer \ boy-boys

.Affixation is not exclusively a morphological phenomenon. Discuss-

The change – in the case of affixation- usually takes place at three-levels simultaneously .i.e. at the level of morphology (*addition of prefix **en** in enrich*) semantics (*the meaning of quality indicated by the adjective rich is changed into the meaning of an action indicated by the verb enrich*) , the level of syntax (*the adjective rich is changed into a verb*) .In some cases the change can be noticed at a fourth level (phonology) as in the case of (sign – signature) and (public-publicity

:Define the following

:polysemic prefixes and suffixes-

They are prefixes and suffixes in English that have two or more distinct but related meanings (*prefix **bi** in :bi-annual , bi-monthly, bilingual*) and ((suffix **ful** in : mouthful , peaceful, handful

:Homonymous prefixes and suffixes-

They are prefixes and suffixes in English that have two or more different and unrelated meanings (*prefix **a** in :amoral , asleep*) and (suffix **y** in : (dusty , daddy