- 1. Consider the two descriptions for this image: a) the indian roller is on the window-ledge. b) the window ledge is below the indian roller .one of these is less acceptable than the other. one explanation for this may be in terms of a figure-ground distinction, very broadly, figure is more likely to be get attended to than the ground.this type of selection is widespread in language. cognitive linguists point to such cases as evidence for language arising fromgeneral cognitive functions, and not being "autonomous". present yourown view (1 or 2 paragraphs) on this.
- 2. COMPLEX PREDICATES consists of two verbs, e.g. the Hindi "ro paRA". One of these gives most of the meaning (ro), and determines how many arguments there are and what they are doing. this is the "heavy verb". the other verb (paRA), called a "light verb", is thought to be "grammaticalized" and may contribute to finer aspects of temporal meaning, what is called the "grammatical aspect".

**Ans :** Attached alongwith are the results of asking these questions from two persons.1<sup>st</sup> person has a diverse language background as he has been through transfers throughout the country from North India to South India. 2<sup>nd</sup> person has lived at one place from childhood and faced very less language environment changes.

## Results from 1st person: Results from 2<sup>nd</sup> person: 1) Please answer the following questions: 1) Please answer the following questions: a)Language(s) spoken in first 5 years **Hindi + English** a)Language(s) spoken in first 5 years Hindi b)parent's mother tongues **Garhwali(F) + Hindi(M)** b)parent's mother tongues Hindi c)where they lived the first 5 years, and beyond c)where they lived the first 5 years, and beyond Jallandhar + Kotdwara + Hissar + Wellington Ghaziabad, U.P d) schooling in hindi till what class d) schooling in hindi till what class as a subject - 10th, never as means of instruction Till 4th as medium of instruction, till 8th as subject 2) Given below are combinations of verbs (rows) and 2) Given below are combinations of verbs (rows) and Low verbs (columns). Of these 25 possible combinations Low verbs (columns). Of these 25 possible which are acceptable in your language? combinations which are acceptable in your language? gayA chalA paRA DaalA uThA uThA gayA chalA paRA DaalA nikal Yes No Yes No No nikal true may may false false keh Yes No No Yes No keh may false may true true bol Yes No No Yes No bol false false true true May ro Yes No Yes No No false ro false false true false has Yes No Yes No No Maybe False False False has true 3) Give some usage examples with the Verbs gayA, paRA 3) Give some usage examples with the Verbs gayA, and uThA? How do these differ in meaning, in your paRA and uThA? How do these differ in meaning, in opinion? your opinion? Main kal jaldi uth gaya tha. Wo wahan chala gaya - he went there. gayA is generally used in past sense Wo chal pada - he started walking. Thoda dard hote hi shrey ro para Wo ruk na saka aur bol utha – he cudnt stop himself and parA gives a sense of instantaneous starting of the action spoke up. Train ki awaaj sunkar vo platform se chal utha Utha is impulsive. uthA, like i used here, gives me a sense of never stopping Para is starting. to some work (like here I get a feel that the guy will never Gaya seems to end an action come back to platform again) after starting it. 4) What can you say about the nature of energy use 4) What can you say about the nature of energy use when using the Light Verb "uThA"? when using the Light Verb "uThA"?

**Ans**: It gives a sense of low energy

Ans: Energetic, and represents start of an action