Exercises

1) State whether the following sentences are pragmatically ,syntactically ,or semantically ill-formed:

(i)John is a living dead man.

(ii)My wife is not my wife.

(iii) Two and two is five.

(iv) My toothbrush is pregnant again.

(v)Colorless green ideas sleep furiously.

(vi) Two and two are four.
(vii) hit cat dog the.

2)Discuss why the sentences below are regarded as involving "bad grammar" by prescriptive grammarians, and say how they may be corrected:

(i) It's me who gets the blame for everything.

(ii)John and Mary love one another.

(iii)You are taller than me.

(iv) Nobody said nothing.

(v) If I was you, I'd resign.