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*Serbian Semantic Primes, with English equivalents*

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| **JA, TI, NEKO, NEŠTO, LJUDI, TELO** | substantives |
| i, you, someone, something~thing, people, body |
| **VRSTE, DELOVI** | relational substantives |
| kinds, parts |
| **TO, ISTO, DRUGO** | determiners |
| this, the same, other~else |
| **JEDAN, DVA, NEKI~NEKA, SVE~SVI, MNOGO~MNOGI, MALO~NEKOLIKO** | quantifiers |
| one, two, some, all, much~many, little~few |
| **DOBRO, LOŠE** | evaluators |
| good, bad |
| **VELIKO, MALO** | descriptors |
| big, small |
| **ZNATI,MISLITI, HTETI, NE HTETI, OSETITI, VIDETI, ČUTI** | mental predicates |
| know, think, want, don’t want, feel, see, hear |
| **REĆI, REČI, ISTINIT** | speech |
| say, words, true |
| **URADITI, DESITI SE, POMAKNUTI SE** | actions, events, movement |
| do, happen, move |
| **BITI (NEGDE), BITI~POSTOJATI, BITI (NEKO/NEŠTO)** | location, existence,  specification |
| be (somewhere), there is, be (someone/something) |
| **(JE) MOJE** | possession |
| (is) mine |
| **ŽIVETI, UMRETI** | life and death |
| live, die |
| **KAD~VREME, SAD, PRE, POSLE, DUGO VREME, KRATKO VREME, NEKO VREME, TRENUTAK** | time |
| when~time, now, before, after, a long time, a short time, for some time, moment |
| **GDE~MESTO, OVDE, IZNAD, ISPOD, DALEKO, BLIZU, PO STRANI, UNUTRA, DODIR~DODIRNUTI** | place |
| where~place, here, above, below, far, near, side, inside, touch |
| **NE, MOŽDA, MOĆI, ZATO, AKO~UKOLIKO** | logical concepts |
| not, maybe, can, because, if |
| **VRLO, VIŠE** | intensifier, augmentor |
| very, more |
| **SLIČNO~KAO** | similarity |
| like~as |

**Notes**: • Exponents of primes can be polysemous, i.e. they can have other, additional meanings • Exponents of primes may be words, bound morphemes, or phrasemes • They can be formally complex • They can have language-specific combinatorial variants (allolexes, indicated with ~) • Each prime has well-specified syntactic (combinatorial) properties.