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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: ENG 111

COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF LANGUAGE

DATE: 17/5/2022   **TIME: 9:00-11:00 AM**

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE COMPULSORY (30MKS)

a) With clear illustrations, differentiate between the following concepts as used in the study of language   (12mks)

     i)   First language (L1) and Second language (L2)

     ii) Arbitrariness and productivity

     iii) Language and Dialect

     iv) Strategic competence and Communicative competence

b) Discuss, using clear illustrations, how technology has influenced language   (8mks)

c) "Linguistics is defined as the scientific study of language". State any FOUR characteristics that qualify the study of language scientific.   (2mks)

d) What is Pragmatics?   (2mks)

e) Language is argued to purely a human phenomenon. Justify the validity of this statement. (6mks)

QUESTION TWO (20MKS)

    a) With clear examples, examine any FOUR functions of language.   (8mks)

    b) Language use varies widely even among the same speech community members. Using, clear examples, briefly explain any TWO Causes of this variation   (8mks)

    c) Examine any TWO weaknesses of the Divine Theory of the origin of language (4mks)

QUESTION THREE (20MKS)

    a) Discuss Linguistic Determinism as a theory in Sociolinguistics.   (10mks)

    b) Explain how language is a structured system.   (10mks)

QUESTION FOUR (20MKS)

"Speech develops and becomes more elaborated as the child begins using more and more language". Explain the stages in a child's acquisition process of a first language (L1).

QUESTION FIVE (20MKS)

    a) Using a family tree diagram, trace the origin of your dialect to its proto-language. (6mks)

    b) Examine any TWO ways in which the world languages are related.   (10mks)

    c) What is an Artificial language?   (4mks)