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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

ACADEMIC YEAR: 2021/2022

SEMESTER: JANUARY- APRIL

CODE: ENGL 1110

UNIT: LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

DATE: APRIL 2022

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions: Answer question **ONE** and any other 2 questions.

Question One: Compulsory

- a) i) What is language? (2 marks)
- ii) Explain what the Divine Origin Theory of language is. (4 marks)
- iii) Provide the strengths of the Divine Origin Theory. (4 marks)
- b) Name and explain three areas of the brain concerned with language. (12 marks)
- c) Explain four differences between human and animal language. (8 marks)

Question Two

- a) Distinguish between phonetics and phonology (6 marks)
- b) Identify:
 - i) Three branches of phonetics
 - ii) Three airstream mechanisms (6 marks)
- c) Using examples, explain the criteria used to describe vowels. (8 marks)

Question Three

- a) Explain the term 'linguistics' (2 marks)
- b) Distinguish between synchronic and diachronic linguistics. (6 marks)
- c) Discuss the characteristics of the language of the bees. (12 marks)

Question Four

- a) What is morphology? (2 marks)
- b) Explain what the following terms mean. Give an example for each.
 - i) Free morphemes
 - ii) Bound morphemes
 - iii) Suffix (9 marks)
- c) Explain how linguistics is related to Geography (9 marks)

Question Five

a) Explain the meaning of the following linguistic terms:

- i) Aphasia
- ii) Slip of the tongue
- iii) Creativity

(10 marks)

b) Explain your understanding of the following linguistic terms:

- i) Pidgin
- ii) Bilingualism
- iii) Dialect

(10 marks)