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SECOND-SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF ARTS AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
AEN 100: INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF LANGUAGE

DATE: Monday, 15th April 2019

TIME: 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question ONE and any other TWO

Question One is Compulsory (30 marks)

- a) Explain the meaning relation in each of the following pairs of words: (20 marks)
- i. Sparrow and parrot.
 - ii. Swoon and soon.
 - iii. Dead and alive.
 - iv. Sick and ill.
- b) Identify and label all the phrases and clauses in the following sentence. (10 marks)

Because my coffee was too cold, I heated it in the microwave.

Question Two (20 marks)

- a) With an example of each, describe the following concepts. (9 marks)
- i. Phoneme.
 - ii. Phone.
 - iii. Allophone.
- b) With examples, explain what an artificial language is. (8 marks)
- c) Define language. (3 marks)

Question Three (20 marks)

Explain the relationship between linguistics and the following:

- a) Sociology. (10 marks)
- b) Psychology. (10 marks)

Question Four (20 marks)

- a) Explain the relationship between language and the following areas of the brain. (8 marks)
 - i. Supplementary motor area.
 - ii. Wernicke's area.
- b) Describe any three distinct properties of human language. (12 marks)

Question Five (20 marks)

With an example of each explain the following concepts.

- a) Presupposition.
- b) Coherence.
- c) Cohesion.
- d) Speech act.
- e) Imperative sentence.