



**COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, THEOLOGY, HUMANITIES &
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HEN201: INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **THREE** questions only

All questions carry equal marks

Begin each question on a separate answer sheet

Question 1

- (a) What is the difference between connotation and denotation? Give ten examples to illustrate your answer
- (b) Which of these terms do you consider to be most central in the study of language?

Question 2

Discuss giving examples five of the following terms:-

- (i) Hyponymy
- (ii) Synonymy
- (iii) Antonymy
- (iv) Polysemy
- (v) Homophones
- (vi) Converseness

Question 3

Discuss four of the following terms. Which one of them do you consider to be central to the study of language?

- (i) Lexis
- (ii) Code-switching
- (iii) Code-mixing
- (iv) Phonology
- (v) Psycholinguistics
- (vi) Sociolinguistics
- (vii) Vowels
- (viii) Sentences
- (ix) Phonology

Question 4

Discuss Chomsky's or Corder's contribution to the study of language

Question 5

Explain what you understand by the following terms:-

- (i) language universals
- (ii) Applied linguistics
- (iii) English for academic purposes
- (iv) English for specific purposes

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