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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF COMMERCE**

ENGL 371: SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

STREAMS: PART TIME

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE : WEDNESDAY 21 /07/ 2021   **8.30 AM –10.30 AM**

INSTRUCTIONS:
- Attempt Three Questions in ALL.   Question ONE is Compulsory.
- Do not write on the Question Paper

1.   a)   Using appropriate examples, define the following terms:

       i)   Second language acquisition   [4 Marks]

       ii)   Interlanguage   [4 Marks]

       iii)   Error analysis   [4 Marks]

       iv)   Contrastive analysis   [4 Marks]

       (v)   Language acquisition devices (LAD)   [4 Marks]

   b)   Explain five limitations of behaviourist theory with reference to language learning.

                                                                       [10 Marks]

2.   "It is better if a language teacher has some knowledge about how language is acquired."
      Using clear, illustrations explain five arguments recommended by Stern for a language
      teaching method on the basis of first language acquisition.   [20 Marks]

3.   Explain the tenets of the following theories used in second language acquisition

   i)   Learning theory   [5 Marks]

   ii)   Nativist theory   [5 Marks]

   iii)   Semantic theory   [5 Marks]

   iv)   Universal grammar theory   [5 Marks]

4.   What do you understand by the following terms used in second language acquisition?

   i)   Procedures used in data collection and analysis in second language acquisition.

                                                              [10 Marks]

   ii.   Current models used in explaining various aspects of second language acquisition.

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5.   Using clear illustrations discuss five factors that affect second language acquisition.
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