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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF

ENGL 371: SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

STREAMS: Y3S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 12/07/2021

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer THREE questions in all.**
- **Question ONE is compulsory.**

1. (a) Exemplify the following SLA notions:
 - (i) Innateness hypothesis. (8 marks)
 - (ii) The critical period hypothesis. (8 marks)(b) Differentiate between the social distance and the psychological distance in the acculturation model. (8 marks)
 2. Discuss the main tenets of the behaviorist theory. (20 marks)
 3. Show that error analysis has shortcomings as an approach. (20 marks)
 4. Explain how universal grammar is applicable in second language learning. (20 marks)
 5. (a) Discuss the inter language theory of language acquisition. (14 marks)
(b) Explain the following terms
 - (i) Negative transfer
 - (ii) Positive transfer
 - (iii) Proactive inhibition (6 marks)
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