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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
ARTS**

ENGL 442: SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS

STREAMS: B.ED ARTS (PART TIME)

TIME: 2

HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 07/10/2021

2.30 P.M – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.**

1. (a) Differentiate between semantics and Pragmatics. (6 marks)
- (b) Explain the following types of semantics. (8 marks)
 - (i) Logical semantics
 - (ii) Structural semantics
 - (iii) Grammatical semantics
 - (iv) Generative semantics
- (c) Using clear illustrations explain the following types of meaning
 - (i) Affective meaning (2 marks)
 - (ii) Stylistic meaning (2 marks)
 - (iii) Connotative meaning (2 marks)
 - (iv) Collocative meaning (2 marks)
- (d) Define the following terms as used in semantics and pragmatics. (8 marks)
 - (i) Equipment opposites
 - (ii) Meronymy
 - (iii) Congruency relations
 - (iv) Compatibility

2. Discuss the Gricean theory of meaning citing its strengths and weakness in analysis meaning. (20 marks)
 3. Using illustrations differentiate clearly between paradigmatic and syntadigmatic relations. (20 marks)
 4. Discuss the procedural steps in the componential analysis of meaning. (20 marks)
 5. (a) Discuss the causes of sematic change. (6 marks)
(b) Explain types of sematic change. (12 marks)
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