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SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE  
OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

ENGL 231: SOCIOLINGUISTICS

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) Y2S1 PART TIME

TIME: 2HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 07/8/2019

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: Attempt question ONE and any other TWO

1. (a) (i) Briefly explain any five language varieties that relate to individual speakers in the society [15 marks]
- (ii) Multilingualism is as a result of several factors. Briefly expound any five such factors [10 marks]
- (iii) Give any five ways in which language death may manifest itself [5 marks]

OR

- (b) (i) Explain how you would use Bell (1976) criteria to differentiate a language from a dialect [14 marks]
- (ii) Identify any five types of lingua Francas [10 marks]
- (iii) With examples, discuss three limitations of Lingua Francas [6 marks]
2. (a) Certain factors favour and influence code switching. Discuss [12 marks]
- (b) Elaborate on any four functions of code switching and mixing [8 marks]

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3. (a) Creolization is a process. Discuss [12 marks]

(b) Bilinguality varies along a number of dimensions. Explain any four such dimensions [8 marks]

4. (a) Several factors influence men/women's differences in speech. Discuss [12 marks]

(b) Language maintenance is a result of complex factors. Explain [8 marks]

5. Briefly discuss the process of language planning [20 marks]

6. Giving your own examples discuss word formation as a language planning strategy [20 marks]

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