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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

ENGL 351: HISTORICAL AND COMPARATIVE LINGUISTICS

STREAMS: BED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 02/12/2019

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer THREE questions in all. Question ONE is compulsory

1. (a) Differentiate between diachronic and synchronic study of language [6 marks]
(b) Discuss the phonological typology in the classification of world's languages [12 marks]
- (c) Explain Grimm's Law [12 marks]
2. Explain the classes of world's languages under the morphological typology [20 marks]
3. Describe the Indo-European family of languages [20 marks]
4. Show how lexical changes occur in language [20 marks]
5. With illustrations, identify ten processes of sound change in language [20 marks]