



UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

THIRD YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE
OF BACHELOR EDUCATION ARTS

ENGL 311: PSYCHOLINGUISTICS

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) SB

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 11/4/2018

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS. QUESTION ONE IS
COMPULSORY**

1. (a) Explain the term 'Psycholinguistics'. [10 marks]
(b) Describe how biological factors affect language acquisition. [10 marks]
(c) Discuss the relationship between psycholinguistics and the following:
 - (i) Tacit knowledge
 - (ii) Language
 - (iii) Cognition
2. (a) With relevant examples, show how cognitive factors affect a child's language acquisition. [10 marks]
(b) Explain the three major areas that psycholinguistics address. [10 marks]
3. Discuss the following neurological disorders that affect language production:[20 marks]
 - (i) Stuttering
 - (ii) Dyslexia
 - (iii) Nominal aphasia
 - (iv) Broca's Aphasia
4. With appropriate examples, explain what language processing entails. [20 marks]
5. Using detailed illustrations, discuss 'The critical age hypothesis in relation to language acquisition. [20 marks]