

JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION WITH IT

3^{RD} YEAR 2^{ND} SEMESTER 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: ZLB 9304

COURSE TITLE: LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

EXAM VENUE: STREAM: BED-ARTS (REGULAR)

DATE: 5/07/2022 EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 11.00am

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer Question ONE (COMPULSORY) and ANY other 2 questions
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.

- 1a) Why is language acquisition enigmatic? (6 marks)
- b) Innateness theory is viewed as the best way of explaining language acquisition. Discuss. (14 marks)
- c) Discuss with relevant examples any three learner errors in language acquisition. (10 marks)
- 2. a) Differentiate between language learning and language acquisition. (4 marks)
- b) Explain why most people prefer to learn L2. (6 marks)
- c) Discuss the shortcomings of behaviorist theory for language acquisition. (10 marks)
- 3) L2 acquisition is always affected by many factors. Discuss. (20 marks)
- 4) a) Differentiate between positive transfer and negative transfer in language acquisition. (8 marks)
- b) Contrastive analysis is not without criticism. Elaborate. (12 marks)
- 5) Discuss interlanguage and its implications on second language learning. (20 marks)