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**EDUCATION ARTS WITH IT**  
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**MAIN CAMPUS**

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**COURSE CODE: ZLB 9310**

**COURSE TITLE: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS**

**DATE:**

**TIME:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

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**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.**

1. (a) While semantics and pragmatics are distinct areas of study in linguistics, they both deal with meaning. Clearly explicate the two different meanings.  
(b). Explain what you understand by the following terms in Semantics:
  - (i) Agent
  - (ii) Theme
  - (iii) Goal
  - (iv) Experiencer (30 marks)
2. With the use of examples, give the distinction between phrasal or sentential semantics and lexical semantics. (20 marks)
3. Clearly explain why both the semantic and situational contexts are necessary for the interpretation of a sentence. (20 marks)
4. Define what is meant by truth conditions of statements in regard to meaning in the English language. (20 marks)
5. With clear examples explain your understanding of the Speech Act theory as postulated by Austin (1962). (20 marks)