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**MAIN CAMPUS**

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**COURSE CODE: AEN 101**

**COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO LANGUAGE**

**EXAM VENUE:**

**STREAM: (BED )**

**DATE:**

**EXAM SESSION:**

**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.**

### **QUESTION ONE**

- a. Define the following terminologies using relevant illustrations where applicable.
  - i. Language (5 Marks)
  - ii. Diglossia (5 Marks)
  - iii. Dialect (5 Marks)
  - iv. Standard English (5 Marks)
- b. Explain the divine theory of origin of language. (10 Marks)

### **QUESTION TWO**

Discuss the following processes in the development of writing, giving illustrations where applicable.

- a. Logograms (5 Marks)
- b. Rebus writing (5 Marks)
- c. Syllabic writing (5 Marks)
- d. Alphabetic writing (5 Marks)

### **QUESTION THREE**

Clearly state the difference between the following concepts;

- a. Dialect and an accent (5 Marks)
- b. Pictograms and Ideograms (5 Marks)
- c. Pidgin and Creole (5 Marks)
- d. Hieroglyphics and cuneiform (5 Marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR**

- a. What are the two main functions of language and how do they differ? (2 Marks)
- b. State and discuss any six properties of language. (18 Marks)

### **QUESTION FIVE**

- a. Discuss the five (5) stages in the complete language planning process. (10 Marks)
- b. Discuss five (5) reasons why it is important to study Introduction to Language. (10 Marks)