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**FACULTY OF ARTS**

**DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES**

**OCTOBER/NOVEMBER EXAMINATION 2016**

**COURSE CODE: ENG321**

**COURSE TITLE: Contemporary English Usage**

**CREDIT UNITS: 3**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2 Hours**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer any 3 questions of your choice. 1 additional mark will be awarded for intelligent and functional use of language.**

1. Critically assess the statement that, “Contemporary English is a newer version of Modern English in current use.” (23 marks)
2. English usage is sometimes determined by situations, professions and vocations. Explain varieties according to subject matter in this regard.(23 marks)
3. In the generation of sentences, form and function may affect meaning. Explain with adequate examples.(23 marks)
4. *Rhetoric is public speaking but speech making absorbs all forms*. Discuss this proposition properly. (23 marks)
5. *Usage* is individual style but *use* is a product of linguistic rules. Explain this statement from your understanding of *style*, *use* and *usage*.(23 marks)