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PLOT 91, CADASTRAL ZONE, JABI, ABUJA
FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES

Semester: 2020_2

COURSE CODE: ENG491

COURSE TITLE: PSYCHOLINGUISTICS

CREDIT UNITS: 3

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer Any 3 Questions (*Your correct use of language elements will earn you additional 3 marks for each question attempted.*)

1. (a) Briefly assess the role of Noam Chomsky's work in the development of Psycholinguistics (5 marks)

(b) With at least three examples, discuss the relevance of Language Acquisition Device (LAD) to child language acquisition (15 marks)

20 marks, 1 hour

2. (a) Briefly discuss care giver language and identify 5 of its characteristics (10 marks)
(b) What is slip of the tongue? (4 marks)
(c) List with one example each, 3 features of slip of the tongue (6 marks)

20 marks, 1 hour

3. (a) Discuss aphasia as a psycholinguistic phenomenon (5 marks)
(b) Compare and contrast Broca's aphasia and Wernicke's aphasia (15 marks)

20 marks, 1 hours

4. Write brief notes on the following concepts as current issues in psycholinguistic inquiry
 - a) Nativism (5 marks)
 - b) Modularity (5 marks)
 - c) Structure (5 marks)
 - d) Process (5 marks)

20 marks, 1 hour