



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH
2022_1 SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE: ENG812

COURSE TITLE: CONTRASTIVE LINGUISTICS

CREDIT UNIT: 3

TIME: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer any **FOUR** questions of your choice.

1. Contrastive Linguistics (CL) can be regarded as a branch of comparative linguistics that is concerned with pairs of languages which are ‘socio-culturally linked’. Do you agree with this assertion? State your reasons. **(17.5 marks)**
2. Give a concise historical analysis of Contrastive Linguistics, highlighting the contribution of Robert Lado (1957) to its emergence in Applied linguistics in the 21st Century. **(17.5 marks)**
3. What are the factors responsible for the resurgence of Contrastive Linguistics as an area of interest in linguistic research in the 21st century? **(17.5 marks)**
4. Using relevant examples, elaborate on the view that “with its largely descriptive focus, contrastive linguistics provides an interface between theory and application”. **(17.5 marks)**
5. How would you describe the relationship between Contrastive Linguistics and Translation? **(17.5 marks)**