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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 21<sup>st</sup> 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 21<sup>st</sup> 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)

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