

## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, PLOT 91, CADASTRAL ZONE, JABI, ABUJA FACULTY OF ARTS

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH 2023 1 POP EXAMINATION:

**COURSE CODE: ENG 858** 

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

**CREDIT UNITS: 3** 

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS INSTRUCTION: Answer Any 4 Questions

1a. Briefly explain the history of English language. (5½ marks)

1b. Using FOUR examples, distinguish between Standard British English and American English as national varieties of English. (12 marks)

(17½ marks)

- 2. With reference to Bloomfield's perspective, critically assess the notion of bilingualism as 'native-like control of two languages'. (17½ marks)
- 3a. Briefly compare corpus planning and status planning. (7½ marks)
- 3b. Discuss FIVE factors that affect language planning. (10 marks)

(17½ marks)

- 4a. Explain the concept of creole. (5½ marks)
- 4b. Distinguish between the process of pidginisation and creolisation. (12 marks)

(17½ marks)

- 5. Write short notes on the peculiar linguistic features of the following aspects of 'World Englishes':
- i. Lexical features (5½ marks)
- ii. Phonological features (6 marks)
- iii. Syntactic features (6 marks)

(17½ marks)