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ALT 503: SOCIO-LINGUISTICS

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Duration: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other THREE Questions

Q1.

Explain how language use norms and language structure reflect the various social structures and settings. **(20 Marks)**

Q2.

Explain the impact of social, political, educational and economic factors on language. Use relevant examples to illustrate your answer **(10 Marks)**

Q3.

Explain the following concepts as used in sociolinguistics: - **(10 Marks)**

- a) Macro-sociolinguistics
- b) Micro-sociolinguistics
- c) Accent
- d) Idiolect
- e) diaglossia
- f) Sociolect

Q4.

Discuss the causes of language shift **(10 Marks)**

Q5.

With illustrations, describe any social situation and conduct an ethnographic microanalysis **(10 Marks)**

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