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**MAIN EXAMINATION**

**AUGUST – DECEMBER 2018 TRIMESTER**

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND COMMUNICATION**

**REGULAR PROGRAMME**

**ENG 101: INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF LANGUAGE**

<b>Date: DECEMBER 2018</b>	<b>Duration: 2 Hours</b>
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<b>INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions</b>
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- Q1. a) **Define** the term language **(2marks)**
- b) Using relevant illustrations from the universal properties of human language, explain whether some languages are superior or inferior to other. **(20marks)**
- c) What does knowing a language entail? **(8marks)**
- Q2. a) Discriminate the differences between human and animal communication **(14marks)**
- b) Identify and explain three linguistic barriers to effective communication **(6marks)**
- Q3. Critically discuss the relationship between language and the following disciplines
- Psycholinguistics
  - Sociolinguistics
  - semantics
  - Pragmatics
- Q4 Evaluate the idea of language acquisition device hypothesis (LAD-hypothesis) **(20marks)**
- Q5. Discuss any four theories accounting for Language origin **(20marks)**