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DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND COMMUNICATION
REGULAR PROGRAMME

ENG 200: ORIGINS AND DEVELOPMENT OF ENGLISH

| Date: DECEMBER 2018 | Duration: 2 Hours |
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| INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO | Questions |

Q1.
a) Define the term language change
(2marks)
b) Explain FOUR reasons why language changes
(8marks)
c) Giving examples, explain any FOUR mechanisms by which language change
(8marks)
d) With the aid of reconstructed Proto Indo European examples, describe FOUR different features of Indo European culture
(8marks)
e) State FOUR sub-families within the Indo-European family
(4marks)
Q2. Discuss why the goals of the ascertainment (C18th) contradicted the nature of language
(20marks)
Q3. a) Briefly describe the location of the dialects of Middle English(ME)
(8marks)
b) With reference to the process of standardization, discuss how the E. midland dialect gave rise to a standard variety of English
(12marks)
Q4. a) Describe problems faced by modern languages in C16th and the solutions that were developed
(10marks)
b) Discuss the extent to which these factors are similar to challenges faced by local languages in post-colonial Africa

Q5. English is a major global language yet it is important to study other languages. Give and explain reasons for studying other languages. You may limit your discussion to a language of choice.
(20marks)
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