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MAIN EXAMINATION

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FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE, LITERATURE AND COMMUNICATION

REFULAR PROGRAMME

ENG 302: SECOND LANGUAGE LEARNING

Date: DECEMBER 2018

Duration: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

- Q1. a) Briefly explain the following concepts **(8marks)**
- i) Competence
 - ii) Intralingual errors
 - iii) Language acquisition device
 - iv) Fossilization
- b) Explain Corder's (1974) framework for **describing** errors **(8marks)**
- c) Differentiate between the following terms with regard to linguistic universals and second language learning **(6marks)**
- i) Typological universals and universal grammar
 - ii) Principles and parameters
 - iii) Marked and unmarked items
- d) Discuss **FOUR** major goals of second language learning **(8marks)**
- Q2. a) Differentiate between learning strategies and communication strategies **(5marks)**
- b) Based on your interaction with second language users of English, classify and describe their use of five different communication strategies **(15marks)**

- Q3. With the aid of examples, discuss the strengths and weaknesses of Skinner's behaviourism theory **(20marks)**
- Q4. a) Explain the Affective Filter Hypothesis in Krashen's Monitor Model **(5marks)**
b) Discuss Krashen's (1985) arguments in support of the input hypothesis **(15marks)**
- Q5. As a future language teacher in a second language learning environment, discuss the causes of fossilization and the steps you would take in order to minimize this phenomenon among your learners. **(20marks)**

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