



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
**Faculty of Arts**  
**Department of Languages**  
**2020\_1 EXAMINATIONS**

**COURSE CODE: ENG331**  
**COURSE TITLE: INTRODUCTION TO SEMANTICS**  
**CREDIT UNITS: 3**  
**TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS**

**INSTRUCTION:** Answer Any **3** Questions. (*Your correct use of language elements will earn you additional **1 mark***)

- 1(a) What do you understand by semantics? (7 marks)  
(b) Appraise the contributions of Alfred Korzbski and Odgen and Richard to the development of Semantics (16 marks).  
(23 marks/40 minutes)
- 2 (a) Define thematic meaning (5 marks).  
(b) With FOUR (4) relevant sentences illustrate thematic point of emphasis (12 marks)  
(c) Construct THREE (3) sentences through which thematic emphasis may be achieved phonologically through the placement of stress (6 marks).  
(23 marks/40 minutes)
- 3 (a) Explain sense or lexical relations (3 marks)  
(b) Set up FOUR (4) categories for the exemplification of the meaning of words and their relations. (20 marks)  
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- 4 (a) What constitutes formal, material and linguistic fallacies? (7 marks)  
(b) List various forms of fallacies of misrepresentation (8 marks)  
(c) Explain the following terms:  
i) amphiboly (4 marks)  
ii) hypostalization (4 marks)  
(23 marks/40 minutes)