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JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2018 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: ENG432

COURSE TITLE: PRAGMATICS

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer Any **3** Questions

1. Validate the assertion that context plays a consequential role in the field of pragmatics.
2. Define the concept of pragmatics and explain its relevance to the study of a language.
3. Inference is the process of working out the meaning or intention of the speaker. Discuss.
4. Identify and explain any five pragmatic features you know.
5. Write short notes on the following:
  - (a) Illocutionary act
  - (b) Locutionary act
  - (c) Perlocutionary act