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2022_2 EXAMINATION

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COURSE CODE: ENG 858

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

CREDIT UNITS: 3

TIME ALLOWED: THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer Any **4** Questions

1a. Briefly explain the history of English language. **(5½ marks)**

1b. Using **FOUR** examples, distinguish between Standard British English and American English as national varieties of English. **(12 marks)**

(17½ marks)

2. With reference to Bloomfield's perspective, critically assess the notion of bilingualism as 'native-like control of two languages'. **(17½ marks)**

3a. Briefly compare corpus planning and status planning. **(7½ marks)**

3b. Discuss **FIVE** factors that affect language planning. **(10 marks)**

(17½ marks)

4a. Explain the concept of creole. **(5½ marks)**

4b. Distinguish between the process of pidginisation and creolisation. **(12 marks)**

(17½ marks)

5. Write short notes on the peculiar linguistic features of the following aspects of 'World Englishes':

i. Lexical features **(5½ marks)**

ii. Phonological features **(6 marks)**

iii. Syntactic features **(6 marks)**

(17½ marks)