



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, ABUJA
Faculty of Arts
Department of English
2023_1 POP EXAMINATION₃₁

COURSE CODE: ENG 811

COURSE TITLE: ADVANCED RESEARCH METHODS

COURSE UNIT: 3 Credit Units

Time allowed: 3 Hours

Instruction: Answer any four questions.

1 a) Explain the following characteristics of research:

- i. Problem-solving
- ii. Systematic approach
- iii. Objectivity
- iv. Empirical evidence

b) Write brief notes on the following characteristics of a good researcher.

- i. Patience
- ii. Diligence and Optimism
- iii. Time Management
- iv. Clarity

c) Briefly explain the following research classifications:

- i. Basic research
- ii. Applied research
- ii. Action research

2 a) Discuss the five reasons for research problems in English Studies.

b) Explain the concept of Review of Literature in research.

3a) Discuss the purpose of a proposal in research.

b) Discuss the two types of research proposal.

4 a) Write brief notes on the following aspects of a research:

- i. Research Objectives
- ii. Originality
- iii. Work Plan
- iv. Bibliography

b) Differentiate between theoretic review and thematic review.

c) State the importance of literature review in academic research.

5 a) Give four reasons why it is important to cite your sources.

b) Define library and write short notes on the types of libraries listed:

- i. academic libraries
- ii. public libraries
- iii. research libraries