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AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

AEN 403: SOCIOLINGUISTICS

Date:

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## INSTRUCTIONS

*Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions,*

### Question one

- a. Giving examples explain the following sociolinguistic concepts: dialect, idiolect, Lingua franca, Diglossia, Bilingualism, Multilingualism, language maintenance, language shift, language death, monolingual (20mks)
- b. With relevant examples discuss pidginization and creolization (10mks)

### Question two

- a. With relevant examples state and explain **three** factors that influence language planning (9mks)
- b. Using Kenya as reference point, discuss the various forms of code switching and code mixing. (11mks)

### Question three

Discuss the **five** factors with which sociolinguists are concerned in studying the relationship between society and language. (20mks)

**Question four**

With example of languages, explain the concepts speech communities (20mks)

**Question five**

Discuss **five** criteria Bell (1976) used to discuss different kinds of languages. (20mks)