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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

UNIT TITLE: AEN 403

UNIT NAME: SOCIOLINGUISTICS

SUPPLEMENTARY FOR JANUARY 2021

DATE:

TIME:.....

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question one and any other two questions

1. (a) Differentiate the following sociolinguistic concepts:
 - (i) multilingualism and bilingualism. (4 marks)
 - (ii) Creole and Pidgin languages (4 marks)
 - (iii) Language shift and language death (4 marks)
- (c) Explain the importance of social network in linguistic research (5 marks)
- (d) Explain how bilingualism contributes to language shift (4 marks)
- (e) Use one example to define the term register (3 marks)

- (f) Explain the concept of role relationship in communication. (6 marks)

2. Discuss FIVE considerations that you need to make as you prepare to carry out a sociolinguistic research (20 marks).

3(a) Explain any FOUR factors that determine the differences of linguistic repertoire between male and female (12 marks)

(b) Show any FOUR situations that would demand that you use code switching as a speaker. (8 marks)

4. Using four examples, discuss the relationship between language and society. (20 marks)

5. Discuss any five important features that one should consider when making a language policy plan in any country (20 marks).