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**COURSE NUMBER: PEC 373**

**COURSE NAME: CURRICULUM STUDIES; ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1. This paper has two sections.**
  - 2. Question one is compulsory.**
  - 3. Answer question one in section A, and any other three questions in section B.**
  - 4. Each question carries 25 marks.**

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## **SECTION A**

### **ANSWER QUESTION 1 IN THIS SECTION**

#### **QUESTION 1**

- (a) Give the teaching method that is characterized by each of the following:
- (i) A lot of translation from the mother tongue into the target language.
  - (ii) Exclusive use of the target language, the mother tongue is not used at all.
  - (iii) Speaking and listening take priority over writing.
  - (iv) The teacher does not say much, and is quiet in most times.
  - (v) There is co-ordination of speech and action.
  - (vi) Optimal learning occurs at night. (12)
- (b) Name the Behaviorists who believe that children are born as “blank slates” or “tabular rasa.” (2)
- (c) Give two functions of the Language Acquisition Device. (4)
- (d) Highlight one shortcoming of the Behaviorists’ theory. (2)
- (e) Explain why the Nativists’ theory is criticized. (2)
- (f) How do Behaviorists treat errors? (1)

## **SECTION B**

### **Answer any 3 questions from this section**

#### **QUESTION 2**

Distinguish between the Behaviorists’ theory and the Nativists’ theory. (25)

#### **QUESTION 3**

Discuss Krashen’s Input Hypothesis and identify a component of English where the ideas contained in this hypothesis are visible. (25)

#### **QUESTION 4**

- (a) Compare and contrast the Audio-Lingual method and the Direct method. (15)
- (b) Explain why it would be difficult to use Suggestopedia for teaching English in primary schools in Swaziland? (10)

#### **QUESTION 5**

- (a) How are errors different from mistakes? (10)

(b) How can you determine whether a learner's incorrect utterance is an error or a mistake? (15)