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TITLE OF PAPER: LINGUISTIC ANALYSIS OF THE MAIN LANGUAGE IV

COURSE CODE: AL411/IDE AL411

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN ALL
2. ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS FROM EACH SECTION
3. LINGUISTIC EXPRESSIONS AND FORMALISMS SHOULD BE USED WHEREVER APPROPRIATE
4. MARKS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR UNTIDY WORK, WRONG SPELLING AND UNGRAMMATICAL SENTENCES
5. ALL EXAMPLES SHOULD BE GLOSSED.

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SECTION A

Answer TWO questions from this section

QUESTION 1 – ADVERB

- (a) Using appropriate examples, define the adverb. [5 marks]
- (b) With the aid of examples, describe the four major types of adverbs. [12 marks]
- (c) Discuss fully the meaning, structure and derivation of the adverb of manner. [8 marks]

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 2 – IDEOPHONE

- (a) Define an ideophone and give appropriate examples. [5 marks]
- (b) With the aid of examples from siSwati, discuss the defining phonological characteristics of the ideophone. [20 marks]

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 3 – CONJUNCTIVE

- (a) With the aid of examples, define the conjunctive. [5 marks]
- (b) With reference to Doke (1937), discuss the influencing and non-influencing conjunctives, pointing out clearly the differences between the two types of conjunctives. [20 marks]

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 4 - INTERJECTIVE

- (a) What is an interjective? [5 marks]
- (b) Discuss fully the derivation of the interjective from the following:
- (i) Nouns denoting surnames
 - (ii) Nouns denoting names of people
 - (iii) Nouns denoting animals and other inanimate objects
 - (iv) Absolute pronouns
 - (v) Demonstrative pronouns. [20 marks]

[25 MARKS]

SECTION B

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

Answer TWO questions from this section

QUESTION 5

With the aid of examples, discuss the structure, use and significance of Wh-questions in siSwati. **[25 MARKS]**

QUESTION 6

Discuss the behaviourist approach to language acquisition, pointing out its strengths and weaknesses. **[25 MARKS]**

QUESTION 7

- (a) What is case grammar? [5 marks]
- (b) With the help of appropriate tree structure diagrams, discuss fully Fillmore's case grammar. [20 marks]

[25 MARKS]

QUESTION 8

- (a) What is meant by a syntactically based grammar? [5 marks]
- (b) What is meant by a semantically based grammar? [5 marks]
- (c) With the aid of examples from any language of your choice, bring forth at least three criticisms that have been labelled against syntactically based grammar. [15 marks]

[25 MARKS]