

**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2010**

**COURSE TITLE : LANGUAGE MEANING AND USE**

**COURSE CODE : ENG 203**

**DURATION : TWO (2) HOURS**

- INSTRUCTIONS :**
- 1. This question paper consists of FIVE questions.**
  - 2) Question 1 is COMPULSORY**
  - 3) Choose TWO other questions from question 2 to 5.**
  - 4) Each question carries 20 marks.**
  - 5) Good English will attract credit.**
  - 6) This paper consists of 3 pages, cover page included.**

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**QUESTION 1 – COMPULSORY**

All words have sense but not all of them have reference. Ascertain the truth of this statement drawing your examples from the English language. [20 marks]

**QUESTION 2**

a) What truth relation holds between these two sentences?

i) *Lebo is mortal.*

ii) *Lebo is a man.*

[5 marks]

b) Discuss the truth relation you have chosen in detail showing that you know at least three different ways in which the truth relation manifests itself in analysis of truth relations that exist between sentences.

[15marks]

**QUESTION 3**

Write short notes on each of the following word formation processes and relations.

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| a) Eponymy    | [3 marks] |
| b) Acronymy   | [3 marks] |
| c) Hypernymy  | [3 marks] |
| d) Homographs | [3 marks] |
| e) Borrowing  | [4 marks] |
| f) Affixation | [4 marks] |

[20 marks]

**QUESTION 4**

Discuss the differences between a specialist dictionary and a general purpose dictionary by outlining the main characteristics of each. [30 marks]

**QUESTION 5**

a) Discuss the concept of face first introduced by Goffman (1956) [14 marks]

b) Describe how you would save the face of

i) your parent [ 2marks]

ii) your friend/colleague [2marks]

iii) your brother or sister [2marks]