

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION 2010

COURSE TITLE: TOPICS IN LINGUISTICS AND LITERARY STUDIES

COURSE CODE: ENG 408

TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Answer TWO questions in all, one from each section.
 2. Your answers should not exceed three pages.
 3. Do not repeat or write about the same material more than once.
 4. Correct use of English and literary conventions will be rewarded and the reverse will be penalised.

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Section A: Literature

1. Discuss the pros and cons of the policy of assimilation. [30]
2. Compare and contrast Achebe and Ngugi's views on the question of the African writer and the English language. [30]

Section B: Language

3. Describe the structure of the Verb using five relevant examples and explain why the verb is considered as one of the most important and complex elements of an English sentence. [30]
4. Discuss the pre-modification in the English noun phrase using five examples considering the concept of grammaticalness. [30]