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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

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TITLE OF PAPER: PRINCIPLES OF PSYCHOLINGUISTICS

COURSE CODE: ENG 402 / IDE-ENG 402

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. This paper has four (4) questions
 2. Question 1 is compulsory, and it is worth 30 marks.
 3. Choose one other question from questions 2 to 4.
Each question is worth 20 marks
 4. Appropriate use of English and linguistic conventions is essential in this paper.

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Question 1 (compulsory)

a) Give a brief description of a bilingual and a multilingual mind. (5)

b) Define the concept 'Interlanguage', and give its features. (10)

c) Explain how the following provide evidence for brain lateralization:

i) The Wada Test (7)

ii) The Broca's Aphasia (8)

(15)

[30 marks]

Question 2

Discuss in detail 4 factors that may promote or inhibit the acquisition of a second language.

[20 marks]

Question 3

Explain in detail the following theories of language acquisition:

a) The Innateness Theory (10)

b) The Affective Filter Hypothesis (10)

[20 marks]

Question 4

Give an overview of the three elements of psycholinguistics identified by Garman (1990).

[20 marks]