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RESIT/ SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION – JULY, 2018

COURSE TITLE : COMPOSITION, WRITING AND TEXTUALITY
COURSE CODE : ENG 312/302
IDE-ENG 312/302
DURATION : TWO HOURS
INSTRUCTIONS : THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF FOUR
QUESTIONS.
ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS IN TOTAL;
QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER
ALL QUESTIONS ARE WORTH 30 MARKS EACH
FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THE LINGUISTIC
CONVENTIONS MAY RESULT IN A LOSS OF
MARKS

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QUESTION 1 – COMPULSORY

Choose one topic from the five given below and create a text not exceeding 1½ pages.

- a) I am young, but I have a voice.
- b) The language of learning and teaching (LoLT) at University level should be English.
- c) Do we really need all this...? Continue the story.
- d) Discuss the causes and effects of living below the poverty line in Swaziland.
- e) If only I had known. [30 marks]

QUESTION 2

Write short notes on the following:

- i) Introductory remarks in writing [5marks]
- ii) A thesis statement [5 marks]
- iii) A topic sentence [5marks]
- iv) A clincher [5marks]
- v) How the best writers are those that write from personal experience [5 marks]

QUESTION 3

- a) Discuss the ways in which the different types of audiences shape one's writing style. [15 marks]
- b) With the aid of examples, discuss the following literary devices in text creation:
 - i) Metaphors [5 marks]
 - ii) Irony [5 marks]
 - iii) Hyperbole [5 marks]

QUESTION 4

Imagine you are a contestant for the position of Member of Parliament in your constituency. Prepare a speech you are going to present to convince members of your constituency that you are the most appropriate candidate.

[30 marks]