UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE SUPPLEMETARY EXAMINATION

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TITLE OF PAPER : TOPICS IN LINGUISTICS AND LITERARY STUDIES

COURSE CODE : ENG 408

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. This paper is divided into two sections; Section A: Literature, and Section B: Language & Linguistics.
- 2. Answer **THREE** questions in all. Answer **one** question from **Section A** and **one** from **Section B**. Choose the **third** question from **either** Section A or Section B.
- 3. Each question carries 20 marks. The total marks for the examination is 60 marks.
- 4. Do not repeat material or write about the same text at length more than once.
- 5. Candidates are not allowed to bring any reading material into the examination room.
- 6. Correct use of English and literary conventions will be rewarded, and the contrary will be penalised.
- 7. Each section must be answered in its own answer booklet.

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- How do Ngugi and Achebe differ on the question of the use of imperialist language in the writing of African literature? [20 MARKS]
 Due to their common colonial experience, African writers consciously or
- unconsciously express negritude sentiments in their writing. Using examples from both Francophone and Anglophone writing, discuss this view. [20 MARKS]

SECTION B: LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

- 3. All languages change/ evolve due to different factors that are either linguistic or extra-linguistic. With close reference to the history of the English language, discuss any three linguistic and any three extra-linguistic factors that led to the evolution of the English language from Anglo-Saxon to Modern day English. Illustrate your answer using examples (where applicable). [20 MARKS]
- 4. (a) With the aid of examples, describe three ways in which the English language marks future time. [10 MARKS]
 (b) Explain the difference between Tense and Aspect in English. [10 MARKS]