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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF TWO SECTIONS. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

# **SECTION A**

# Pragmatics, Discourse analysis, Language and the brain, First language acquisition, Second language acquisition

# **QUESTION 1**

1.1. Identify **anaphoric expressions** in the following sentence:

Dr Foster gave Andy some medicine after he told her about his headaches and she advised him to take the pills three times a day until the pain went away.

(3x7=21)

1.2. Explain in detail, the pragmatic principle of **invisible meaning** using the road sign provided below.

(10)



# **QUESTION 2**

2.1. Explain the difference between **a schema and a script** in the study of discourse understanding.

(5)

2.2. Explain how **background knowledge** helps speakers understand each other.

(5)

# **QUESTION 3**

Discuss the **discoveries** on **language acquisition** from the story of Genie.

(10)

### **QUESTION 4**

Giving examples to illustrate your answer, describe the **tip of the tongue** phenomenon.

(2+4=6)

# **QUESTION 5**

Discuss any three similarities and two differences between **caregiver speech** and **foreigner talk**. (10)

# **QUESTION 6**

- 6.1 Explain what **interlanguage** is in second language learning. (6)
- 6.2 Describe the process of **fossilization** and indicate when it occurs. (6)

# **QUESTION 7**

Define the notion of **crosslinguistic influence** and how it plays out in second language learning/acquisition. (4+2x3=10)

#### **SECTION B**

Gestures and sign language, Language and regional variation, Language and social variation, Language and culture & Language History & Change.

#### **QUESTION 8**

What was **the basis** for the consideration of the method of oralism? Begin by briefly explaining the concept 'oralism' (10)

# **QUESTION 9**

Explain the difference between an **accent** and a **dialect**.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10)$ 

# **QUESTION 10**

When we speak to others, we often change or adapt the way we speak.

Using this as a starting point, discuss, in detail the concept of **speech accommodation.** (10)

#### **QUESTION 11**

NORMS stands for non-mobile, older, reliable, male, speakers.

**Explain** why those 4 variables were used in dialect surveys.

(10)

#### **QUESTION 12**

Explain how **social markers** in speech function. Begin by giving a definition of 'social marker'. (10)

# **QUESTION 13**

African American Vernacular English (AAVE) is one of the major vernaculars spoken by many African Americans in the United States of America.

a) Name five **sound-related** feature of AAVE, and provide an example for each. (5 x 3 = 15)

b) **Discuss** why this variety has been described as 'sloppy' and 'illogical' using examples to support your discussion. (6)

#### **QUESTION 14**

a.	Briefly explain the process of <b>creolization</b> .	(8)
b.	Name the <b>four features</b> of English pidgins and provide an example of	
	each.	$(4 \times 2 = 8)$
QUES <sup>®</sup>	<u>FION 15</u>	
Discuss the difference between <b>overt</b> and <b>covert prestige</b> . Include examples		
to illustrate your discussion.		$(2 \times 4 = 8)$
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Discuss the Sapir-Whorf Hypothesis. Start your discussion by explaining		
lingui	stic determinism and linguistic relativism and be sure to provide plenty	
of illus	strative examples to support your discussion.	(16)
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