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**14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND, LAGOS**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**JUNE/JULY 2013 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE: ENG453**

**COURSE TITLE: : LANGUAGE AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS**

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS**

**(YOUR CORRECT USE OF LANGUAGE ELEMENTS WILL EARN ADDITIONAL 3MARKS IN ALL THE QUESTIONS ATTEMPTED)**

1. (a) Clearly outline five roles of language in national development in Nigeria. 5marks

(b) Discuss these roles in relation to Nigeria’s national development. 15marks

2. Discuss the role of the English language in a multilingual setting such as Nigeria. (20marks)

3. Would you advocate the use of one of the indigenous languages for official transaction in Nigeria? Clearly discuss your views. Clear and logical argument will earn you the full marks. (20marks)

4. What is language family tree? Provide examples of family trees in relation to African languages. (20marks)

5. “No human language is superior to the other.” Discuss. (20 marks)