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MARCH/APRIL 2014 EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE: ENG353

COURSE TITLE: THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN NIGERIA

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer any **3** questions of your choice.

1. If Nigeria is to choose a national language which of its indigenous language would you suggest to be adopted and why?
(23 marks)
2. How would you distinguish between the Basilectal Nigerian English and Mesolectal Nigerian English?
(23 marks)
3. (a) What are coinages in Nigerian English? (8 marks)

(b) Using relevant examples, discuss some of the coinages observed in Nigerian English. (15 marks)
4. What are the factors that make a language standard? (23 marks)
5. In your own opinion which of the Nigerian languages should be given the status of a national language and why?
(23 marks)