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**JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2013 EXAMINATION**

**ENG355: Introduction to Sociolinguistics (3C)**

**TIME:**  
**2HRS**

**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY **THREE** QUESTIONS**

1. Discuss the various factors that normally influence sociolinguistics operations within the society.
2. Discuss the concept of speech community. Identify and discuss four types of speech communities you are familiar with.
3. Define creole as a concept. Give a historical rundown of the development of creoles. Distinguish between creoles and pidgins. Give two examples of creoles that you know.
4. Discuss what you think will likely be the state of your own indigenous language in twenty year time.

5. Discuss the power implication of the use of 'he' as a generic element in your linguistic employments