

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS MARCH/APRIL 2016 EXAMINATION SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

COURSE CODE: ENG321

COURSE TITLE: Contemporary English Usage

Time Allowed: 2 Hours

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer any three questions of your choice.

- 1. Critically assess the statement that "Contemporary English is a newer version of Modern English in current use"
- 2. English usage is sometimes determined by situations, professions and vocations. Explain varieties according to subject matter in this regard.
- 3. In the generation of sentences, form and function may affect meaning. Explain with adequate examples.
- 4. Rhetoric is public speaking but speech making absorbs all forms. Discuss this proposition properly.
- 5. *Usage* is individual style but *use* is a product of linguistic rules. Explain this statement from your understanding of *style*, *use* and *usage*.