



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
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LAGOS**

**OCTOBER 2013 EXAMINATIONS
School of Arts and Social Sciences**

Course Code: ENG454

Course Title: Multilingualism

Credit Unit: (3C)

TIME: 2HRS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS

1. (a) What is multilingualism?
 (b) Distinguish between 'de facto' and 'de jure' multilingualism.
2. Identify five multilingual nations and briefly discuss their cases.
3. "Nigeria cannot be regarded as a 'de facto' multilingual nation."
 Discuss, with tenable reasons given for your position on the issue.
4. Imagine that you were made a minister of education in Nigeria, how
 will you manage the clamour for an indigenous national language
 within the Nigerian volatile social environment.
5. Within the Nigerian social context, which language would consider
 the most prestigious? Give some important reasons why this is so.