

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA 14-16 AHMADU BELLO WAY, VICTORIA ISLAND LAGOS SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES MAY/JUNE 2012 EXAMINATION

ENG331: Introduction to Semantics (3C)

TIME ALLOWED: 2HRS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY **THREE** QUESTIONS

- 1. Briefly discuss three major theories of meaning you are familiar with.
- 2. Identify how ambiguity and tautology detract from meaning in the sentence.
- 3. Outline and discuss in detail any three very obvious semantic problems in Nigerian English?
- 4. State clearly and discuss briefly some possible linguistic fallacies that exist in the English language.
- 5. Name and discuss the contributions of two scholars to the growth of semantics.