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TITLE OF PAPER:

CURRICULUM STUDIES IN ENGLISH

COURSE CODE :

EDC 274

STUDENTS

B.ED.. YEAR II; PGCE

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY THREE OTHER QUESTIONS.
- 2. QUESTIONS CARRY MARKS AS INDICATED.
- 3. ALL ANSWERS MUST BE WRITTEN IN CONTINUOUS ESSAY FORM.

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QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

Ellis and Tomlinson (1994) hold the view that the learning of ESL is much more difficult than the learning of English as the first language (p.3).

- (i) Discuss and exemplify the factors that support this view. (15 marks)
- (ii) Relate the tasks which secondary school teachers need to undertake in order to overcome the difficulties encountered when teaching ESL, as suggested by Ellis and Tomlinson (1994). (10 marks)

QUESTION 2

Discuss the effects of the physical and affective domains in second language learning and development in both adults and children as espoused in Brown (1980). (25 marks)

QUESTION 3

Of what critical importance is understanding of the variety of English according to first language interference in teaching and learning ESL at secondary school level?.(25 marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss the different interactive activities which could engage pupils in effective reading comprehension at secondary school level. (25 marks)

QUESTION 5

Listening comprehension lessons must vary the ways in which secondary school pupils demonstrate their understanding; they should also include real life listening comprehension contexts. Discuss ways in which listening comprehension lessons and contents could be designed to cater for the above-suggested considerations at secondary school level. (25 marks)

QUESTION 6

Explain why extensive and intensive listening activities could be used for effective teaching of listening in ESL classroom at secondary school level. (25 marks)