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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER: JULY 2016
B. A. DEGREE**

TITLE OF PAPER: HISTORY OF LINGUISTICS: BANTU

COURSE NUMBER: IDE AL312

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN ALL.**
 - 2. LINGUISTIC EXPRESSIONS AND FORMALISM SHOULD BE USED WHENEVER APPROPRIATE.**

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ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS**Question 1**

Discuss briefly the contributions made to Bantu linguistic studies by the following:

- i) James Archbell
- ii) Johann Ludwig Krapf
- iii) John Colenso
- iv) Eugene Casalis
- v) John Bennie

[25 marks]

Question 2

- a) Compare and contrast Guthrie's and Doke's classification of Bantu languages.
(13 marks)
- b) Distinguish between typological and genealogical classification of languages.
(6 marks)
- c) Using examples from any relevant Bantu languages, distinguish between a language and a dialect?
(6 marks)

[25 marks]

Question 3

Discuss the contributions made to Bantu linguistic studies by Guthrie.

[25 marks]

Question 4

- a) Brusciotto (1659) made reference to 'articles', 'pricipiations', 'case system', and 'declensions' in his description of KiKongo. By means of examples from any relevant languages, critically evaluate this contribution.
(20 marks)
- b) Name any five daughter languages of Bantoid according to Greenberg's classification of African languages.
(5 marks)

[25 marks]

Question 5

Discuss the contributions made to Bantu linguistic studies by J.W Appleyard.

[25 marks]

Question 6

- a) Draw family tree diagrams to represent Richard Lepsius's classification of African languages. (10 marks)
- b) List ten of the characteristics which Lepsius followed in his classification of Bantu languages. (15 marks)

[25 marks]

Question 7

With illustrations from any Bantu language, discuss the criteria proposed by Guthrie for identifying languages as belonging to the Bantu family.

[25 marks]