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Instructions:

Answer any **FOUR** questions. **ALL** questions carry the same marks.

1. According to Lado (1957) 'CA can predict and describe the patterns that will cause difficulty in learning and those that will not cause difficulty by comparing systematically the language and the culture to be learned with the native language and culture of the students'.

Discuss to what extent you think these assumptions are true. Support your answer with reference to current research findings on the area.

2. Each culture has *form*, *meaning* and *distribution* which could lead to cross-cultural misinformation to the observer who comes from a different cultural background. Discuss the above in the context of a culture that you know.

3. One of the most significant contributions of Error Analysis has been the recognition of sources of error that extend beyond interlingual error.

Discuss.

4. According to Ellis (1998), interlanguage variability can be divided into systematic and non-systematic variability.

Discuss.

5. Selinker (1972) claims that there is such a latent psychological structure in the brain, activated when a language learner attempts to learn a second language and that it is the product of five cognitive processes which are central to second language learning.

Discuss.