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## THIS EXAMINATION PAPER CONTAINS <u>FIVE</u> [5] QUESTIONS IN <u>ONE</u> [1] PAGE.

Answer any **FOUR** [4] questions. All questions carry equal marks.

1. Discuss Chomsky's criticisms of Skinner's behaviourist view of learning as applied to language.

[100 marks]

2. Discuss the stages in the acquisition of question and negative constructions in English as a first language.

[100 marks]

3. Researchers have found that not all errors predicted by the Contrastive Analysis Hypothesis are actually made – in fact there are overpredictions and underpredictions. Discuss.

[100 marks]

4. Discuss the contributions that error analysis has made to secondlanguage research and the criticisms that have been levelled at it.

[100 marks]

5. "The most ambitious theory of the second-language learning process is Stephen Krashen's Monitor Model" (McLaughlin:1987). Discuss.

[100 marks]