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**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES**  
**ENGLISH PROGRAMME**  
**2020/2021 FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

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**COURSE TITLE:** AN INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH SEMANTICS

**COURSE CODE:** ENG 303

**DATE:** MARCH, 2021

**TIME ALLOWED:** 2½ Hours

**INSTRUCTION:** Answer question any three questions.

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1. Provide and explain at least three definitions of Semantics in order to demonstrate your understanding of the discipline.
2. What do you consider to be the scope of semantics?
3. Explain what you understand by the meaning of meaning.
4. With adequate examples, discuss the concepts of sense and reference.
5. Using your knowledge of the principle of compositionality, explain the difference between the two sentences below:  
Mary loves john  
John loves Mary
6. Write notes on the following:
  - i. Synonyms
  - ii. Antonyms
  - iii. Polysems
  - iv. Homonyms