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**Educ. 231: Final Examination**

**Question A**

Define the following:

1. Regression
2. IRI
3. Rubric
4. Language Arts
5. Instructional level
6. Study guide
7. Kidwatching
8. Emergent literacy
9. Rating scale
10. Miscue

**Question B**

Indicate whether the following statements are true or false. Write the number of each statement in your exam booklet and then write *T* for True and *F* for false after each statement number.

1. According to Piaget language comes before thought. -----
2. During the preoperational stage children can not engage in symbolic thought. -----
3. During the preoperational stage children can not think about the events of a story from their own perspective. -----
4. Developmental learning requires considerable instruction to occur. -----

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**Question C**

Reading researchers have reported that many kindergarten children understand a great deal about how language works and that this knowledge develops at home and should form the foundation for literacy learning in the classroom. Write a short essay to 1) describe and explain through examples the nature of literacy knowledge kindergarten children bring to class and 2) offer parents suggestions for guiding the literacy development of their children at home. Please observe the qualities of effective writing (Focus, Organization, Development, word choice, and mechanics).  
Good Luck.

