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- II. a. First academic appointment: Assistant Lecturer, University of Ibadan
July 1974
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- III. University Education with dates
a. University of Ibadan, Ibadan 1965-1968
b. Moray House College of Education 1972-1973
c. University of Leeds, Leeds England 1973-1974
d. University of Ibadan 1982-1986

- IV. **Academic Qualifications with dates and granting bodies:**
a. B.A. Second Class Upper in English 1968, University of Ibadan, Ibadan,
Nigeria
b. M.A with Distinction (Linguistics and English Language Teaching) 1974
University of Leeds, Leeds, England
c. Ph.D. in English: Children's Literature 1986, University of Ibadan, Ibadan,
Nigeria,

- V **Professional qualifications and Diplomas with dates**
a. Diploma in the Teaching of English as a Second Language 1973, Moray
House College of Education, Edinburgh, Scotland

VI Scholarships, fellowships and Prizes (with dates)

- a. University of Ibadan Scholar 1965-1968
b. University of Leeds , M.A. with Distinction 1974

7. Honours, Distinctions, Membership of Learned Societies

- a. Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria.

(2004-2006)

- Former African Regional Editor Women's Studies' International Forum
- Principal Investigator, University of Ibadan-John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Grant on Gender Mainstreaming Project 2007 to date
- Chair, University of Ibadan-John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Grant Implementation committee on Distance Learning, 2000 - Nov. 2006

- Member, Federal Ministry of Education Committee on University Autonomy and Related Matters, 2001.
- Recipient, British Council Link Fellowship on Gender Studies 1996.
- Recipient, British Travel Grant for Children's Literature, 1991.
- Visiting Scholar, University of Bayreuth, Germany, 1988
- Oyo State Justice of the Peace
- Nigeria Academy of Letters
- Strengthening Gender and Women's Studies for Africa's Transformation (GWS)
- Network of Women's Studies in Nigeria
- President, Association on Books for Young People in Nigeria
- Association of Nigerian Authors
- Women's Research and Documentation Centre, University of Ibadan , Ibadan

VIII Details of Teaching at University level

Undergraduate courses

- Developmental Oral communication
- Writing for Academic purposes
- Developmental writing Skills
- Situational Public Speaking
- Diagnosis and remediation in speech
- Writing Children's literature
- Textbook writing and Evaluation
- Technical Report Writing
- Research Methods in Communication and Language Arts
- Speech Consultancy Services
- Studies in Readability and Style
- Rhetoric of Social Mobilisation
- Essentials of Scholarly writing

IX. Research

a. Completed

1. Researcher, Nigeria: Gender and Institutional Culture in African Universities. Research of the African Gender Institute, University of Cape Town, South Africa and the Association of African Universities 2004-2006.
2. Lead Researcher Nigeria "Gender Equity in Commonwealth Higher Education" in DFID/ Carnegie funded 5 country research project in Nigeria, Uganda, Tanzania, South Africa and Sri Lanka, coordinated by the University of London. April 2003 to March 2005.
3. Lead Researcher: Association of African Universities Gender Mainstreaming Project for African Universities

c. In progress

- i. Principal Investigator: University of Ibadan-John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Grant on Gender Mainstreaming Project 2007 to date
- ii. Rhetorical Traditions and Forms in Nigerian communities

d. Dissertation and Thesis

- i. **Odejide, Abiola. (1986)** 'Visions of Contemporary Society in Nigerian Children's Realistic Fiction' Unpublished Ph.D. Thesis, University of Ibadan.
- ii. **Odejide, Abiola. (1974)** 'A Study of the Progressive Form in Positive Declarative Sentences of Yoruba' MA Project, University of Leeds

PUBLICATIONS

a. Books

1. **Cobb, David, Solomon Unoh, Biola Odejide, Oladele Taiwo and A.K. Hassan. (1993)** *New Focus English Books 1-3*. Basingstoke: Macmillan UK.
2. **Odejide, Abiola, D. Williams, S. Ayodele, and R. Oriaku. (1995)** *Complete Focus English Book 1* Ibadan: Macmillan.
3. **Odejide, Biola, S. Ayodele, O. Osisanwo and E. Onukaogu. (1995)** *Complete Focus English Books 2 and 3*. Ibadan: Macmillan.
4. **Odejide, Biola, Dayo Soola, Wole Oyetade and Tola Mosuro (1995)** *English for Communicative Tasks in Higher Education*. Ibadan: Stirling - Holden Publishers.
5. **Odejide, Abiola, Osisanwo, Wale and Agatha Bajah (2004)** Macmillan Primary English Book (1-6) Ibadan: Macmillan Nigeria Publishers Ltd.

b. Chapters in books already published

6. Odejide, Biola (1979) 'Some Aspects of Appropriateness in Nigerian Student Writing' in Ubahakwe, Ebo (ed.) *Varieties and Functions of English in Nigeria*. Ibadan: African Universities Press and Nigeria English Studies Association, pp. 127-136.

7. Odejide, Abiola and Sybil James (1981) 'Observations of Reading Behaviour in Three Resource Centres in Nigeria' in Unoh, S.O. (ed.) *Junior Literature in English*. Ibadan: African Universities Press and Nigeria English Studies Association pp. 114-125.

8 Odejide, Abiola (1981) 'Humour in Nigerian Children's Literature' in Unoh, S.O. *Junior Literature in English Ibadan: African Universities Press and Nigeria English Studies Association* pp.165 -173.

9 Odejide, Biola. (1983) 'The Diphthongs of English' and 'English Syllable Structure' in Obanya, Pai. *English Course for Teachers' Colleges*. Kaduna: National Teachers' Institute. Pp.36-49.

10 Odejide, Abiola (1986) 'The Readability Levels of Selected Nigerian Newspaper Editorials' in S.O. Unoh *Use of English in Communication*. Ibadan: Spectrum Books .pp. 156-174.

11 Odejide, Biola. (Co-author) *Report on Oral English Examination Review Workshop* 11- 20, 1986. Kaduna: National Teacher's Institute. pp. 18-22, 27-28, 37-39.

12 Odejide, Abiola and S.O. Unoh. (! 987) 'Evaluation of Written Communication at College or University Level: A Pilot Study.' In Unoh, S. (ed.) *Topical Issues in Communication Arts*, Vol.1 Uyo: Modern Business Press Ltd. pp. 279-293.

13 Odejide, Abiola. (1989). 'Reading Education in Nigeria' in William Eller and John Hladczuk (eds.) *International Handbook of Reading Education*. Westport: Greenwood Press.

14 Odejide, Abiola (1989). ' Use of Microteaching Techniques to Develop Discussion Strategies in an English for Academic Purposes Class' in Odejide, Abiola and Proscovia Astill, (eds.) *Issues in Teaching Use of English in Nigeria'* Communication Skills Improvement Project (COMSKIP) Publications Series 1, Overseas Development Agency and National Universities Commission.

15 Odejide, Abiola. (1990) 'Oral Language Methods A: Segmental Phonemes' in Oraeki, et al. (Eds.) *Distance Learning System Cycle 2 English Language Methods*. Kaduna: National Teachers' Institute.

16. Odejide, Abiola (1990). 'Oral English Language Methods B: Supra- Segmental Phonemes' in Oraeki et al (ed.) *NCE Distance Learning System Cycle 2 English Language Methods*. Kaduna: National Teachers' Institute.

17. Odejide, Abiola (1990). 'Language Assessment: Oral Language – Reading and Writing' in Oraeki et al (ed.) *National Teachers' Education Learning System*. Kaduna: National Teachers' Institute.

- 18. Odejide, Abiola. (1990).** 'Problem of Language Interference and the Use of Error Analysis' in Oraeki et al. (ed.) *English Language Methods NCE Distance Learning System*. Kaduna: National Teachers' Institute.
- 19. Odejide, Abiola and Proscovia Astill (1991) (Eds.)** "Issues in Teaching Use of English in Nigeria." Communication Skills Improvement Project (COMSKIP) Publication Series 1. National Universities Commission/Overseas Development Agency.
- 20 Odejide, Abiola. (1992)** "The Abused Child Motif in Nigerian Children's Realistic Fiction" in Ikonne, C. E. Oko and P. Onwundinjo (Eds.) *Children and Literature in Africa*. Ibadan: Heinemann.
- 21. Odejide Abiola. (Eds.) (1996).** *Women and the Media in Nigeria*. Ibadan: Women's Research and Documentation Centre.
- 22. Odejide, Abiola (1996)** 'Women in Nigerian Literature' in Odejide, Abiola (Ed.) *Women and the Media in Nigeria*. Ibadan: Women's Research and Documentation Centre.
- 23 Odejide, Abiola (1996)** 'Nigerian Children's Literature: A View from Inside' in Eckhard Breiting (ed.) *Defining New Idioms and Alternative Forms of Expression* ASNEL Papers 1. Amsterdam: Rodopi.
- 24 Odejide, Abiola (1996).** ' Oral Communication Skills in the Nigerian Educational System- Demands and Strategies' in Orisawayi, Dele, Eno Nta, Julius Ogu and Ako Essien (eds.) *Approaches to Oral English and Communication Skills*. Calabar: University of Calabar Press.
- 24 Odejide A.O., Sanda, A.O. and Odejide, Abiola (1998)** 'Intergenerational Aspects of Ethnic Conflicts in Africa' in Yael Danieli. (Ed.) *International Handbook of Multigenerational Legacies of Trauma*. New York: Plenum Press
- 25 Odejide, A. O. and Odejide , Abiola (1998)** ' Harnessing Pleasure for Health Needs' in Marcus Grant (Ed.) *Proceedings of the Permission for Pleasure Conference*.
- 26 Odejide, Abiola and Ifeoma Isiugo-Abanihe (1999)** *Curriculum for Women's Studies in Nigeria. Report of the Workshop of the Network on Women's Studies in Nigeria No.3* Ibadan: Mosuro Books.
- 27 Odejide, Abiola (2000)** "Debating Skills in Political Communication" in Okunade, Adebimpe (Ed.) *Enhancing the Public Skills of Women Politicians*, Ibadan: Vantage Publishers.
- 28 Odejide, Abiola, (2004)** *Avoiding the Cactus Fence: 'Kid Literature' and the Nigerian Nation'* Text of Inaugural Lecture delivered on August 26, 2004, University of Ibadan.
- 29. Morley, Louise, Chandra Guwardena, Joy Kwesiga, Amadina Lihamba, Abiola Odejide, Lesley Shackleton and Annik Sorhaindo. (2005)** *Gender Equity in Commonwealth Universities: An Examination of Sustainable Interventions in Selected Commonwealth Universities*. London: Institute of Education, University of London University Press.

- 30 Odejide, Abiola (2007)** Quality and Relevance in University of Ibadan's General Studies Programme. Ibadan: General Studies Programme, University of Ibadan.
- 31 Odejide, Abiola (In press)** "Lifelong Learning, the Nigerian Literacy Situation and National Development" Plenary Speech at the Reading Association of Nigeria/ International Reading Association First Mid Term Conference October 9-13, 2007

Articles that have already appeared in journals

- 32 Odejide, Biola (1979)** 'Can Creative Writing be taught?' *Journal of Language Arts and Communication*. Vol.1 no.1 April, pp. 101-107.
- 33. Odejide, Biola. (1980)** 'The Use of Models in the Teaching of Composition Writing' *West African Journal of Education Vol.21, 2*, pp. 42-54.
- 34. .Odejide, Biola (1980)** ' Creative Writing in Post –Primary Magazines- An Evaluative Study' *Journal of Language Arts and Communication*_Vol.1, No. 2_pp.54-68.
- 35. .James, Sybil and Abiola Odejide. (1981)** 'A Survey of English Language Literature Available to Nigerian Children' *The Reading Teacher*_Vol.34, No.7, pp. 809-814.
- 36 Odejide, Biola (1981)** ' Adventure Books in Nigerian Children's Literature 'BOOKBIRD Publication of the International Institute for Children's Literature and Reading Research Vol. 3. pp.13-18.
- 37 Odejide, Biola. (1981)** 'Adventure Books in Nigerian Children's Literature' *BOOKBIRD, Publication of the International Institute for Children's Literature and Reading Research*, Vol. 3, pp. 13-18.
- 38 Odejide, Abiola and Molefi, Kete Asante, (1981)** 'Advocacy in Yoruba Traditional Culture' *Review of Afro- American Issues and Culture*. Vol. 2 No.2 pp.1-17.
- 39 Odejide, Biola and Sybil James, (1982)** ' Nigerian Children's Literature for International Understanding in the English Speaking World' *Journal of Reading* Vol. 25 No.6 pp.516-524.
- 40 Odejide, Biola (1982)**_'Teaching Technical English to Arts Students in a Second Language Situation: Problems and Prospects' *Nigerian Journal of Education*. Vol. 2 Vol. 2 No.2 pp. 59-87
- 41 Odejide, Biola and Sybil James (1982)** 'The Nigerian Experience in Books for Children' *The New Era*, Vol. 68, No.3, pp.77-83.
- 42 Odejide, Abiola. (1982)** 'Cultural Values and Occupational Choices in Selected Nigerian Children's Literature' *Nigerian Educational Forum*. Vol. 5, No.2 pp.203-209.
- 43 Ayodele, Sam, Odejide, Abiola and Ekong, Pamela. (1984)** 'An Investigation into the Spoken English Performance of Nigerian Radio Broadcasters' *Journal of Nigeria English Studies Association* Vol.9, Nos.1&2 pp. 112-123.
- 44 Odejide, Abiola. (1984)** ' Nigerian Children's Books and Social Studies in Junior Secondary Schools' *Nigerian Educational Forum* Vol. 7, no.2 December pp.167-172.

- 45 **Ayodele, S.O; Odejide, Abiola and Munzali Jibril. (1986)** ‘ Nigerian Primary School Teachers’ Mastery of English Language Stress and Intonation Patterns’ *Journal of English Studies* Vol. III September pp.23-35
- 46 **Odejide, Abiola (1986).** ‘ The Journey as Training Ground in Nigerian Children’s Fiction’ in Susan R. Gannon and Ruth Anne Thompson (eds.) *Proceedings of the 13th Children’s Literature Association Conference*, University of Missouri, Kansas City, USA. May 16-18. pp. 102-105.
- 47 **Odejide, Abiola. (1987)** ‘Children’s Biographies of Nigerian Figures: A Critical and Cultural Evaluation’ *The Reading Teacher*, Vol. 40, No. 7, March pp. 640-644.
- 48 **Odejide, Abiola. (1987).** ‘Nigerian Children’s Literature: Pre- School and Nursery Age’ *Zaria Journal of Educational Studies*. Vol.1 No.1 pp. 100-110.
- 49 **Odejide, Abiola. (1987).** ‘Education as Quest: the Nigerian School Story.’ *Children’s Literature in Education*. Vol.18, No.2, 1987.pp. 77-87.
- 50 **Odejide, Abiola. (1988).** ‘From Cradle to Readership: Developing Reading Habits in Children.’ *Nigerian Educational Forum* Vol. 12, No. 2, pp.267-274.
- 51 **Odejide., Abiola (2002)** ‘Profile of Women’s Research and Documentation Centre, Institute of African Studies University of Ibadan,’ *Feminist Africa*, Launch Issue (www.Africa.org.fa)
- 52 **Odejide, A. (2003)** ‘Navigating the seas: Women in higher education in Nigeria.’ *McGill Journal of Education*. Special Edition, 38 (3), 453-468.
- 53 **Odejide, Abiola, Bola Akanji and Kolade Odekunle. (2006)** “Does Expansion mean Inclusion in Nigerian Higher Education” In *Women’s Studies International Forum*. 29 (2006) 552– 561
- 54 **Odejide Abiola (2007)**” What can a woman do? Perceptions of being female in a Nigerian university. ” *Feminist Africa Vol. 8* (www.Africa.org.fa)

Other Publications (Creative writing)

55. **Odejide, Biola. (1987)** *Ropoto Finds a Home* Ibadan: Associated Book Makers.
56. **Odejide, Abiola; LaRay Denzer and O. Oloruntimehin (eds.) (200)** *The Potter and Other Short Stories*. Ibadan: Bookcraft.
57. **Odejide, Abiola (2001)** *Dele, the Lion of Aroko*. Ibadan: Macmillan Nigeria Publishers.
58. **Odejide, Biola (2001)** *Dami’s Shoes* (Children’s title) Ibadan: University Publishers PLC
59. **Odejide, Biola (2001)** *The Masquerade who Ran Away* (Children’s Title) University Publishers PLC
60. **Odejide, Biola (2004)** *Adama and Other Stories*. Ibadan: Child’s Play Nig. Ltd.

Conferences attended in last 5 years

1. Nigeria Academy of Letters Conference . August 2008, University of Lagos

2. Odejide, Abiola. (2007) Association of African Universities' Conference of Rectors and Vice Chancellors of African Universities, Tripoli, Libya, November 2007
3. "Gender and Institutional Culture in University of Ibadan" Panel presentation at the Conference on "Nigeria 2007: Political, Social and Economic Transitions" Northwestern University, Chicago, USA, November 1-4, 2006.
4. MASHAV Seminar on Seminar on Management of Higher Education, Galilee College, Israel, July 2005.
- 5 . Mainstreaming Gender in Higher Education in Africa. (2006) Association of African Universities and the Association for the Development of Education in Africa, Working Group on Higher Education. University of Ibadan, Ibadan, September 25-26, 2006.
6. "Top Jobs"- Panel presentation at the HERS-SA Academy 2005. University of Cape Town Graduate School of Business, Waterfront Cape Town. South Africa
7. **Odejide, Abiola (2004)** "Contemporary Nigerian Children's Literature" Paper presented at the Baobab's Children's Literature Conference, Zurich, November 2004.
8. Association of Commonwealth Universities West African sub-regional Workshop on "Women in Management in Higher Education" Lokoja, Nigeria. October 3-10, 2004.