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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AEN 302: ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

DATE: SCHOOL BASED

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

Study the underlined phrases in the following sentences and, for each:

- a) Identify the type of phrase; (5 marks)
- b) Analyze the internal structure/form (10 marks)
- c) State the syntactic function (5 marks)
 - i) The mysterious men in black disrupted the party.
 - ii) The student is ever worried about her performance.
 - iii) During our meeting last week, she told me something very shocking.
 - iv) The meat in the kitchen is rotting
 - v) Following the shameful act, the MCAs disappeared from the scene very quickly
indeed
 - vi) With two sentential illustrations from each type explain the following type of verbs (10 marks)
 - I. Monotransitive verbs
 - II. Ditransitive verbs
 - III. Complex transitive verbs

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Construct sentences using the following words as conjuncts. (2 marks)
- i) nevertheless
 - ii) though
- b) Construct sentences using the following words as disjuncts . (2 marks)
- i) seriously
 - ii) briefly
- c) Construct sentences using the following words as adjuncts. (2 marks)
- i) tomorrow
 - ii) anywhere
- d) Use the NP '*The student*' as: (14 marks)
- i) Subject
 - ii) Direct object
 - iii) Object complement
 - iv) Adverbial
 - v) Indirect object
 - vi) Subject complement
 - vii) Prepositional complement
 - viii) predicate complement

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Identify all the verb phrases in the sentences below and name them as finite/non finite. Name the non finite verb.

- i) The committee will have the issue discussed.
- ii) It will be best for you if you tell everyone.
- iii) I saw him come up with the street.
- iv) Men having broad shoulders are exciting.
- v) The lectures being finished we went to the hostel.
- vi) Seeing him groan in pain was pathetic.
- vii) As the lecture was finished, we went home.
- viii) A committee discussed the issue yesterday.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Using sentential examples illustrate **four** *usage of determiners*

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Using sentential illustrations explain **five** ways how auxiliary verbs are used to complete the meaning of lexical verbs.