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DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM

AEN 202: PHONOLOGY OF ENGLISH

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question one and any other two questions.

1. a) Differentiate between consonant sounds and vowel sounds.(4 marks)
- b) Discuss three types of stress. (6 Marks)
- c) Explain the concept centralizing diphthongs' used in phonology of English. (4 marks)
- d) Use your own English words to illustrate minimal pairs, and distinguish it from allophones. (6 marks)
- e) Briefly explain the difference between broad and 'narrow' transcription using your English words. (6 marks)

- f) Explain the use of pitch in English. (4 marks)
2. Discuss the production of consonant sounds using the three criteria used in their description. (20 Marks)
3. Discuss the production of vowels sounds using the three criteria used in their production. (20 marks)
4. a) Discuss rhythm as a supra-segmental feature in English. (10 Marks)
- b) Use words of your choice to explain and draw the structure of the syllable. (10 Marks)
5. Use examples of sound in English to illustrate assimilatory and non-assimilatory as a phonological processes of English. (20 Marks)

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM

AEN 302: ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

Instructions: Answer question one and any other two questions.

- 1.
- a) Identify the subject and the predicate in the following sentences.
- (i) The mouthwatering duck on the table won't be paddling away again. (2 Marks)
- (ii) The lady next to me lit a cigar. (2 Marks)
- b) Identify the types of verb in each of the following sentences.
- (i) I bought a banana yesterday.
- (ii) The baby slept soundly.
- (iii) They are my greatest enemies.
- (iv) Mum prepared a delicious meal for the family.
- (v) They painted the house grey.
- (vi) Come over. (6 Marks)

c) Construct sentences using the following sentence patterns.

ASVO

SVO

SVC

SVOA

SVOO

(10 Marks)

d) Differentiate between the subordinate and independent clause.

(4 Marks)

e) Use the following words as adjectives and adverbs: hard, well, pretty.

(6 Marks)

2.

a) Explain the four types of non-finite verbs. Use correctly constructed sentences for illustrations. (12 Marks)

b) Explain the constituents of complex noun phrase using clear examples. (8 Marks)

3.

a) Explain the usage of adverbials. (6 Marks)

b) Use the adjective interesting as;

(i) Attributive. (2 Marks)

(ii) Predicative. (2 Marks)

c) Use the genitive case to express meaning in terms of;

(i) Measure.

(ii) Origin.

(iii) The role of object.

(iv) Possession.

(v) Subject role. (10 Marks)

4.

a) Indicate the mood in the following sentences.

(i) Open the door please.

(ii) I insist you leave now.

(iii) They requested that I move on to the next level.

(iv) Come over immediately.

(v) They arrived late.

(vi) Did you see the thief?

(12 Marks)

b) Using your own examples illustrate the three categories of determiners in noun phrases. (6 Marks)

c) Change the following sentences into passive voice.

(i) The class elected Peace the class prefect.

(2 Marks)

5.

a) Show the modifier – head relation and the head – complement relation in the following phrases respectively. (8 Marks)

(i) Their rather dubious jokes.

(ii) Beside a stream.

b) Explain the following adverbials using examples of your own. Use them in correctly constructed sentences.

Adjuncts.

Disjuncts.

Subjuncts.

Conjuncts.

(12 Marks)