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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

AEN 101: INTRODUCTION TO GRAMMAR OF ENGLISH

DATE: 27/1/2022

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS) (COMPULSORY)

- a) Identify the word class of each of the words in the following sentences. (10 marks)
- Lecturer must come
 - You have put all your eggs in one basket
 - Aha! I knew we would meet the lecturer.
 - Susan's round table appears stable.
 - Prof. Otieno came hurriedly when he heard about the strike.
- b) Using illustrations, show the distinction between. (10 marks)
- predicative and attribution adjectives
 - open and closed word classes
 - Interrogative and relative pronouns
 - Coordinating and subordinating conjunctions
 - Transitive and non-transitive verbs.
- c) Name the underlined phrases in the following sentences and state their functions. (10 marks)
- The woman spoke angrily in the corridor.
 - The blind girl is a good musician.
 - I expect to pass with flying colours.
 - Atieno fought very hard against cancer.
 - Mutua failed the driving test.

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Using examples, discuss the following morphological categories.

- a) possession
- b) number
- c) aspect
- d) comparative
- e) Tense

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Write sentences with the following phrases. Identify and label them (10 marks)
 - i. AdvPNPVPNP
 - ii. NPVPNP
 - iii. NPVPAdjP NP AdvP
 - iv. AdvPNPVPPP
 - v. NPVP
- b) Identify the word class for each underlined word in the sentences below. (10 marks)
 - i. She will dress the baby in a red dress.
 - ii. She will walk ten kilometers to take part in the Barclays Bank AIDS walk.
 - iii. Mary herself injured herself.
 - iv. A monthly paper is released monthly.
 - v. The news further broke her already broken heart

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) What is a sentence? (2 marks)
- b) Discuss any four elements of the English sentence. (18 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Using suitable examples, explain four elements of a noun phrase.