



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES**

**APRIL SESSION EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION**

**AEN 401: VARIETIES OF ENGLISH**

**DATE: 23/7/2021**

**TIME: 8.30-10.30 AM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

Using clear examples, describe the following sources of world Englishes.

- a) Phonological
- b) Lexical
- c) Morphological
- d) Syntactic
- e) Semantic

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Explain how the following aspects cause variation in English.

- a) Gender
- b) Register

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss any five characteristics of the standard variety of English.

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

With the help of suitable examples, show how British Standard English and American Standard English differ in terms of the following.

- a) Lexical variation
- b) Spelling variation

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

“Kenyan English variety does exist” Using examples justify this assertion.