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..... SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF
EDUCATION

AEN 101: INTRODUCTION TO THE GRAMMAR OF ENGLISH

Date:

Time:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question 1 and any two others.

1. (a) Explain the following word groups:
 - (i) Open word classes
 - (ii) Closed word classes

(10 marks)
- (b) Name and explain, any four ways the Noun Phrase can be used in a sentence

(10 marks)
- (c) Explain, with an example, the following functional elements of the sentence
 - (i) the Subject
 - (ii) the Complement

(10 marks)
2. Explain with an example, any two functions of the following types of English phrases.
 - (a) The Verb Phrase
 - (b) The Prepositional Phrase

(20 marks)
3. With an example, describe the following types of nouns.
 - (a) Abstract
 - (b) Concrete
 - (c) Collective
 - (d) Common

(20 marks)

4. Describe, with the help of examples, the following types of the sentence.
(a) Simple
(b) Compound
(20 marks)
5. Conjunctions can either be coordinating or subordinating. Discuss this statement using examples.
(20 marks)