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**SECOND YEAR FIRST SUPPLEMENTARY SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR
DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION (ARTS) - REGULAR**

AEN 0104: MORPHOLOGY & SYNTAX

Date:

Time:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One (Compulsory) and any other two

1. Below are some sentences in Swahili:

mtoto amefika “The child has arrived.”

watoto wanafika “The children are arriving.”

watu wanalala “The persons are sleeping.”

kisu kimeanguka “The knife has fallen.”

visu vinaanguka “The knives are falling.”

a. Identify all the morphemes in the Swahili sentences and give their meanings/functions.

(16 mks)

B. Underline different phrases in the following sentences

(8mks)

i) The boy will have arrived in China by this time

ii) All the children seemed extremely happy.

c. Draw a phrase structure tree of the following sentence.

(6mks)

‘The boy touched the ball with a long stick’

2a. What are the functional morphemes in the following sentence? *When he arrived, the old*

man had an umbrella and a large plastic bag full of books.

(4mks)

B. Use illustrations to Describe **four**-word formation processes in your first language (16mks)

3. Bantu languages are known to be highly inflectional. Qualify this statement using one Bantu language of your choice. (20mks)

4. Construct sentences by use of the following sentence constituents and underline the elements.

a. S+V

b. S+V+O

c. S+V+C

d. S+V+O+A

e. S+V+A+C

f. S+V+A+A+C

g. S+V+O+V+O

5. Use a language spoken in Kenya to show how it realizes derivational morphological processes and features. (20mks)