



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

## **SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES**

**4th YEAR SEMESTER 2 (IBP) 2017 EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF  
EDUCATION**

**AEN 401: VARIETIES OF ENGLISH**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1 a) Differentiate the following terms;

- i. Ideolect and dialect
- ii. Register and regional variation
- iii. Code mixing and code switching
- iv. Standard English and non-standard English
- v. Language revival and language reform (10marks)

b) Discuss any three language planning goals according to Nadir (2003) (8marks)

c) Michael Halliday (1978) outlines three factors for the specification of registers. Describe these three factors briefly (6 marks)

d) Multi-linguals and bi-linguals can easily apply language choice. Discuss two types of language choice. (6 marks)

2. Attempt a comparison of the standard British English with other varieties of English. (20 marks)

3 a) Discuss the causes of language variation (10 marks)

b) Identify and discuss the two main differences between accents (10 marks)

4.) Discuss the characteristics of Kenyan English in relation to the Standard English under the following sub- headings;

- i. The degree of variance.
- ii. Linguistic properties.
- iii. Pronunciation.
- iv. Vocabulary.
- v. Grammar. (20 marks)

5.) Describe the varieties of English according to **use, users, medium, interference and attitude** (20 marks)