



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AEN 302: ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

DATE: 13/4/2023

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS

- a) Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions
- b) Ungrammatical constructions will be penalized
- c) Examples used in class are not allowed

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Use the phrase ‘**The cabinet secretary**’ to form a sentence where it functions as:
(12 marks)
 - i. Subject
 - ii. Direct object
 - iii. Indirect object
 - iv. Subject complement
 - v. Object complement
 - vi. Prepositional Complement

- b) In each of the following cases, form two analyzed phrases
- i. NP with Det+N+Relative clause
 - ii. Adj.P with Premod.+Adj.+Postmod,
 - iii. Pre-determiner+Central determiner+Post-determiner+Noun
- (3 marks)
- c) Use the verb '**weigh**' as instructed: (4 marks)
- i. Intensively
 - ii. Monotransitively
 - iii. Ditransitively.
 - iv. Complex Ditransitive
- d) Explain each of the sentences in (c) above. (4 marks)
- e) Use the participle verb '**frustrated**' as:
- i. Perfective verb (1 mark)
 - ii. Passive verb (2 marks)
 - iii. Attributive adjectival (2 marks)
 - iv. Predicative adjectival (2 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Using appropriate examples, explain any four ways we can identify a finite clause in a sentence. (8 marks)
- b) Using analyzed examples, explain the following types of non-finite clauses. (12 marks)
- i. *to*-infinitive
 - ii. *ing*-infinitive
 - iii. *-ed/-en* infinitive
 - iv. *Bare* infinitive

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Passivize the sentence below:
The lecturer may have been teaching the students. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss any FOUR conditions necessary for the passivisation in 3(a). (12 marks)
- c) Explain any TWO uses of the passive voice. (4 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Analyze the form(s) and function(s) of the following types of conjunctions

- a) Coordinating conjunctions
- b) Subordinating conjunctions

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Explain, with well analyzed example sentences, the structural features and syntactic functions of primary auxiliaries.