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AUGUST SESSION EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

AEN 201: DESCRIPTION OF MORDEN ENGLISH

DATE: SCHOOL BASED

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Using specific examples, differentiate noun phrases from verb phrases (6 marks)
- b) Underline and label the phrases in the following sentences:
- The man is leaving for Bangladesh next month
 - All the participants appeared extremely excited.
 - The naughty boy could not complete his studies due to negligence.
 - She couldn't arrive on time because of the bad weather. (4 marks)
- c) Identify the **noun phrases** in the following sentences and state their functions (12 marks)
- He is a pilot
 - The cook is in the kitchen.
 - The conference room was full of guests.
 - He dropped the money accidentally.
 - The students left for summer break.
 - The public address was so inspiring.
- d) Distinguish the **three** types of adverbial functions. Illustrate your answer. (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Using sentential examples illustrate the **four** syntactic functions of prepositional phrases. (8 marks)
- b) Explain the grammatical devices of substitution and ellipsis (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Identify the **adverb phrases** in the following sentences. State the type of phrases their functions

- a) They will soon be here.
- b) Fortunately, they listened to us attentively.
- c) Joyce plays soccer regularly nowadays.
- d) She sang extremely well.
- e) They seldom spend the night upstairs.
- f) James came late. Nevertheless, he completed his assignment.
- g) Kitivi surprisingly denied the charge.
- h) The deadly weapon was hurriedly hidden.
- i) He closed his eyes tight.
- j) We never expected Okech to turn up today.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) With sentential examples illustrate the **four** syntactic functions of adjectival phrases. (8 marks)
- b) Using sentential examples ,differentiate between objective and subjective noun phrases (12 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the difference between open and closed word classes. (4 marks)
- b) identify the word class of the underlined words (16 marks)
- i. We had a good laugh over Mike's mistake.
- ii. Why do you laugh?
- iii. I have my doubts about his honesty
- iv. I cannot doubt his honesty

- v. We decided to brave the storm.
- vi. It was very brave for you to go.
- vii. The Star is a daily.
- viii. We all have to earn our daily bread.
- ix. This newspaper appears daily
- x. I have not seen him since.
- xi. He has lived in London since war.
- xii. I have known Taylor since he came to live here.
- xiii. He was knocked down the first round.
- xiv. We have a round table in our dining room
- xv. When will you come round again?
- xvi. The guard walked round the building.