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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AEN 302: ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE

DATE: 16/4/2019

TIME: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

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

1. a) In each of the following cases, form two analysed phrases:
 - i) NP with Det+Adj.+N+PP
 - ii) Adj.P with Premod.+Adj.+Postmod, (4 marks)
- b) Use one of the phrases in (a) (i) above to form a sentence where the phrase functions as:
 - i) a Subject
 - ii) a Direct Object
 - iii) an Indirect Object
 - iv) an Object Complement
 - v) a Subject Complement (10 marks)
- c) What is the syntactic function of the PP you have used? (2 marks)
- d) Comment on the position and role of the Det. in any of the phrases in (a) (i). (4 marks)

- e) Use the verb PAINT in a sentence as instructed below:
- i) Mono-transitively
 - ii) Di-transitively
 - iii) Intransitively
 - iv) Complex transitively (4 marks)
- f) Explain each of the sentences in (e) above. (6 marks)
2. a) Using appropriate examples, explain any four ways we can identify a finite clause in a sentence. (8 marks)
- b) Using analysed examples, explain the following types of non-finite clauses.
- i) *to*-infinitive
 - ii) *ing*-infinitive
 - iii) *-ed/-en* infinitive
 - v) *Bare* infinitive
- (12 marks)
3. Explain, with well analysed example sentences, any five syntactic functions of primary auxiliaries. (20 marks)
4. a) Passivise the sentence below:
- The children have been watching you play all afternoon.* (4 marks)
- b) Discuss any FOUR conditions necessary for the passivisation in 4(a). (16 marks)
5. Analyse the form(s) and function(s) of the following types of conjunctions.
- a) Coordinating conjunctions
 - b) Subordinating conjunctions (20 marks)