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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
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END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)
KEN 2101-ENGLISH GRAMMAR AND USAGE I

Date: 13th December 2022

Time: 8.30am-10.30am

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following parts of speech and construct one sentence illustrating each of them:
- i) Adverbs (2 marks)
 - ii) Pronouns (2 marks)
 - iii) Prepositions (2 marks)
 - iv) Nouns (2 marks)
 - v) Adjectives (2 marks)
- b) With examples in sentences, describe the following four aspects of transitivity in English Grammar:
- i) Mono transitive verb (3 marks)
 - ii) Complex transitive verb (3 marks)
 - iii) Intransitive verb (3 marks)
 - iv) Di transitive verb (3 marks)
- c) Identify the nouns/ noun phrases in the following sentence structures and state their functions:
- i) Many people visit the national museum. (2 marks)
 - ii) The three children ran to school as they were afraid they would get late. (2 marks)
 - iii) Obviously, Rehema got severely punished for her mistakes (2 marks)
 - iv) Ruth was a nurse at the hospital. (2 marks)

QUESTION TWO: (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the functions of **three** types of determiners in noun phrases:
- i) Pre determiners (4 marks)

- ii) Central determiners (4 marks)
- iii) Post determiners (4 marks)
- b) Construct sentences using the following phrases as instructed:
 - i) **A pastor (NP)**
 - A subject (2 marks)
 - A direct object (2 marks)
 - An indirect object (2 marks)
 - An object complement (2 marks)

QUESTION THREE: (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the concept of '**finiteness**' of verbs in English Grammar. (10 marks)
- b) Rewrite the following paragraph correcting the errors(if any) on the use of verbs. (10marks)

The cost of DVD

Today, movie distributors will spend hundreds of millions of dollars on copies of films for theaters. In the next few years, most of them begin sending the movies digitally by satellite. When they do so, sending a movie out costs them only \$150,000. Stefan Avalos and Lance Weiler release an all-digital movie by satellite in 1999. They will shoot the all- digital movie on borrowed digital cameras.

QUESTION FOUR: (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the concept of **subject verb agreement** in English Grammar. (10 marks)
- b) In the sentences below provide the passive form of each sentence where applicable. Further, explain why some sentences cannot be passivized.
 - i) We will consider our application. (2 marks)
 - ii) The young woman became a teacher. (2 marks)
 - iii) Maria served the tea hot. (2 marks)
 - iv) Thee host offered us very cold drinks. (2 marks)
 - v) Moses sneezed loudly. (2 marks)

QUESTION FIVE: (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain **five** functions of the adjective phrase in Grammar. (10 marks)
- b) Using form and function, state **five** differences between primary and modal auxiliary verbs in Grammar. (10 marks)