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# **KIBABII UNIVERSITY**

## **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

**2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR  
SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**

### **SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION**

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

**COURSE CODE: ENG 222**

**COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH SEMANTICS AND PRAGMATICS**

**DATE: 28<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2022**

**TIME: 11.00AM - 1.00PM**

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#### **INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

**TIME: 2 Hours**

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**QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)**

a) Define the term semantics and outline the major differences between semantics and pragmatics. (15 marks)

b) Answer the following:

- i. What are ambiguous expressions? (5 marks)
- ii. With the use of clear and appropriate examples, discuss any two sources of ambiguity in a language. (10 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Describe three figures of speech either in cognitive semantics or relevance theory.

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

With the aid of examples, explain the difference between denotation and connotation as kinds of meaning.

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Identify different issues related to the meaning of the sentence.

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Explain five of the sense relationships with examples from African languages.

**QUESTION SIX (20 MARKS)**

Relevance theory has the following building blocks; stimulus, context, cognitive effects, processing effort and relevance. Discuss the interrelation of these concepts.