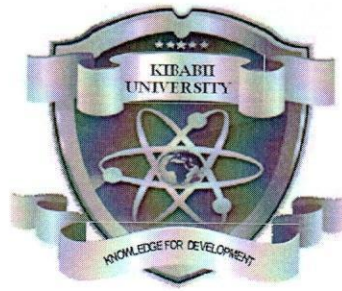


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SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE: ENG 221

COURSE TITLE: THE STRUCTRE OF MODERN ENGLISH PHRASE

DATE: 29TH JULY, 2022

TIME: 2.00 - 4.00PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

- a) Classify the following groups of words into phrases: (3 marks)
- i. In the backyard
 - ii. Has been running
 - iii. Quite interesting
 - iv. The young man's idea
 - v. So quickly
 - vi. Were awarded prizes
- b) Use tree diagrams to analyse each of the above phrases into their constituent parts: (12 marks)
- c) Define what a phrase is and from your definition, explain any THREE particular characteristics that a phrase should have. (10 marks)
- d) Briefly explain how context is important in determining constituent membership in English. (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) With an example in each case, explain the following adverbials: (12 marks)
- i. Conjuncts
 - ii. Adjuncts
 - iii. Disjuncts
- b) Using examples, discuss any FOUR positional constraints of adverbs in the English language. (8 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

By use of appropriate illustrations, describe the internal structure of a verb phrase in the English language.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) "A preposition as the head of a prepositional phrase MUST be accompanied by prepositional complements." Using appropriate examples, justify the validity of this statement. (10 marks)
- b) Giving examples in each, explain any FIVE syntactic functions of a prepositional phrase. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Using a tree diagram, draw the structure of an adjectival phrase that has an adverb degree and any post-modifier. (3 marks)
- b) Adjectival phrases do more than just modifying noun phrases. Justify the validity in this statement. (8 marks)
- c) Giving vivid examples in English, discuss the syntactic relations of the elements in the following rules. (9 marks)

- i. $X \rightarrow Y(Z)$
- ii. $X \rightarrow YZ$
- iii. $X \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{l} Y \\ Z \end{array} \right]$