

LAIKIPIA



ENGL 122

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# UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

**2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATIONS FOR BACHELOR  
OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

**ENGL 122: GRAMMATICAL STRUCTURES OF ENGLISH**

***STREAM: R***

***TIME: 2 HRS***

***DAY: WEDNESDAY (8.30-10.30AM) DATE: 17/4/24***

**THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF THREE (3 PAGES)**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

**QUESTION ONE (24 MARKS)**

- a) Explain the term grammar. (4mks)
- b) Compare and contrast the ‘Traditional’ grammarians and the ‘modern’ linguists. (20mks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

a) Explain the following levels of grammatical analysis and give examples to illustrate your answer

- (i) word
- (ii) phrase
- (iii) clause
- (iv) sentence (8mks)

b) List three forms of each of the following parts of speech and give examples to illustrate your answers.

- (i) nouns
- (ii) verbs
- (iii) pronouns (15mks)

**QUESTION THREE (23 MARKS)**

State the sentence types we have in English and give an example to illustrate each. (23 mks)

**QUESTION FOUR (23 MARKS)**

a). Construct a sentence for each of the following syntactic patterns

- (i) SV
- (ii) SVOO
- (iii) SVAdv

(iv) SVAdj

(v) SVO

(13mks)

b) Identify the functions of the elements underlined in the sentences below.

(i) The baby girl was beautiful(ii) She is leaving now.(iii) She called the dog blackie(iv) We keep the bananas in the basket(v) He gave the girl a gift

(10mks)

### **QUESTION FIVE (23 MARKS)**

a) Label the underlined words in the following sentences and state whether they are simple or complex.

(i) She was staring at the boys.(ii) She came along with her boyfriend.(iii) I did not get anything from her.

(8mks)

b) Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions given.

(i) The weather was bad but I went to class (use in spite of).

(ii) She passed her exams and she also got married (use not only).

(iii) I did not do my homework and I did not clean my house (use neither....nor).

(iv) I like Jane and I also like Mary (use not only).

(v) "I will go home tomorrow" said John (change into reported speech).

(15mks)