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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

ENGL 412: ADVANCED DESCRIPTION OF MODERN ENGLISH

STREAM: R

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: THURSDAY (14.30-16.30PM) DATE: 7/12/23

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF FOUR (4 PAGES)

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

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

Explain the notion Transitivity in English (4marks)

- a) Illustrate two cases where a verb can be used transitively and intransitively(4marks)
- b) Give different forms of the primary auxiliary verb “have”. (3marks)
- c) Complete each of the following sentences with an appropriate conjunction. Indicate whether the conjunction is a coordinating, correlative or a subordination conjunction. (5marks)

- i. The sun was shining brightly-----the birds were singing sweetly.
- ii. Do you prefer juice-----milk?
- iii. Jane cannot go swimming today-----she lost her swimming costume.
- iv. I don't know-----I can wait that long.
- v. -----the head of the department-----lecturers will be able to solve the problem.

d) Using adequate examples, explain why the following phrases are so called. (6marks)

- i. Noun Phrase
- ii. Prepositional Phrase
- iii. adjective phrase

e) What structural explanation can you give to the occurrence of the underlined elements in their syntactic positions? (4 marks)

- i) Whom does Alejandro wish to see?
- ii) Between you and me, this is a tough test

f) Decompose the sentences below into the functional constituents of their internal structure and label them appropriately. (4 marks)

- i. Paul is a nasty boy.
- ii. That you are annoyed surprises me.

- iii. They named the baby Peter.
- iv. Martha bought Joy a beautiful doll

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Construct a sentences to exemplify each of the following: (4 marks)
 - i. SVA
 - ii. SVCA
 - iii. SVOC
 - iv. SVOO
- b) Discuss the following types of non-finite verbs: (4 marks)
 - i. The present participle
 - ii. The past participle
- c) In each of the following sentences, identify and name one type of phrase (4 marks)
- d) Explain the types of modality using relevant examples (8 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Make two sentences with each of the primary auxiliary verbs to demonstrate that they can be used as both auxiliary and main verbs. (6 marks)
- b) Explain four functions of modal auxiliary verbs. Illustrate. (8 marks)
- c) Name three types of clauses and give examples in sentences (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the following grammatical categories. Give a sentential example of each (12 marks)
 - i. Tense
 - ii. Number
 - iii. Person
 - iv. Mood

b) Isolate the subordinate clauses and state their functions in each of the following

(8 marks)

- i. Is this the boy who won the medal?
- ii. The book which Chomsky authored is complicated
- iii. She discarded whatever appeared substandard
- iv. Whatever you do will affect your life

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

a) Discuss the notion cohesion in English and state four ways in which it is achieved.

(8 marks)

b) Discuss three functions of the Wh-element within a subordinate clause.

(6 marks)

c) Discuss the following types of sentences:

(6 marks)

- i. Compound sentence
- ii. Complex sentence
- iii. Compound complex sentence

