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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN ENGLISH

ENGL 911: MORPHOLOGICAL AND SYNTACTIC THEORY

STREAMS: PhD (PART TIME)

TIME: 3 HOURS

8.30 A.M. – 11.30 A.M.

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 04/12/2018

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer any three questions.
- 1. Differentiate between neutral and non-neutral affixes in lexical morphology and discuss the characteristics of the latter. (20 marks)
- 2. Using elaborate examples drawn from Bantu languages, discuss at least five functions of reduplication. (20 marks)
- 3. Using suitable examples, demonstrate your understanding of syntactic items that can occur on the periphery of the sentence. (20 marks)
- 4. With the help of elaborate examples, discuss the concept of theta-role assignment as an approach in determining forms in syntactic theory. (20 marks)
- 5. Basing your examples on English and Kiswahili, demonstrate your understanding of Chomsky's Principles and Parameters framework within generative linguistics.

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