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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
EDUCATION (ARTS)

ENGL 104: GRAMMATICAL STRUCTURE OF ENGLISH

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) SB

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 5/12/2018

2.30 P.M - 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer **THREE** Questions in all
- Question **ONE** is **COMPULSORY**
- Do not write anything on the question paper

1. (a) Outline the classification of words according to traditional grammar citing weaknesses of the approach. [12 Marks]
- (b) Define and illustrate the following terms as used in grammar
  - (i) Content and functional words
  - (ii) Open and closed word classes
  - (iii) Common and proper nouns [12 Marks]
- (c) Expound on types of determiners and their syntactic distribution. [6 Marks]
2. Describe the different types of pronouns giving their morphological and syntactic distribution. [20 Marks]
3. (a) Using sufficient examples, discuss coordination and subordination in sentences. [8 Marks]
- (b) With illustrations, distinguish between the following types of sentences. [12 Marks]
  - (i) Positive and negative sentences
  - (ii) Declarative and negative sentence
  - (iii) Affirmative and imperative sentences

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- 4. With appropriate illustrations, discuss the morphological and syntactic distribution of adjectives. [20 Marks]
  - 5. (a) Differentiate between primary and modal auxiliaries. [4 Marks]  
(b) Discuss the syntactic distribution of auxiliaries and their functions. [16 Marks]
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