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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
ARTS

ENGL 104: GRAMMATICAL STRUCTURES OF ENGLISH

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE:

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer **THREE** Questions.
- Question **ONE** is compulsory
- Do not write on the Question Paper.

1. Briefly explain why traditional grammar was inadequate in analyzing the structure of language. [4 Marks]

(a) Briefly explain the meaning of these terms as used in Grammatical Analysis:

- (i) Syntactic distribution [3 Marks]
- (ii) Morphological distribution [3 Marks]

(b) Study the following text:

The cheering crowd suddenly saw a huge truck approaching and quickly scampered in all directions for safety.

(i) From the text, list all the:

- Noun phrases
- Preposition phrases
- Adjectives
- Adverbs
- Verbs [13 Marks]

(ii) For the adjectives and adverbs you identified, give the syntactic and morphological criteria you have used in identifying them. [7 Marks]

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2. (a) Briefly explain with examples the differences between
- (i) Free and bound morphemes [4 Marks]
 - (ii) Inflectional and derivational morphemes [8 Marks]
- (b) Assume the word ‘qukler’ is English. Construct sentences using it as specified below [8 Marks]
- (i) Noun
 - (ii) Verb
 - (iii) Adjective
 - (iv) Adverb
3. (a) The verb inflects for various functions. Show how this happens using examples. [8 Marks]
- (b) Discuss four modals auxiliaries, briefly showing the meaning they bring into sentences with examples. [12 Marks]
4. (a) Show how proper nouns differ from common nouns. [10 Marks]
- (b) Explain the concepts of coordination and subordination using sufficient examples. [12 Marks]
5. (a) Construct two sentences using the following words to show that the words can belong to two different parts of speech. [12 Marks]
- (a) Feeling
 - (b) Blessed
 - (c) Walking
- (b) Discuss the adverbs as a modifier with examples. [8 Marks]
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