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

ENGL 412: ADVANCED DESCRIPTION OF MODERN ENGLISH

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) Y4S2 SB

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 5/12/2018

8.30 A.M - 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer **THREE** Questions in all
- Do not write anything on the question paper

1. (a) Citing example in each, list four characteristics of open word classes and four characteristics of closed word classes. [8 Marks]
- (b) Giving two examples in each case discuss four types of non-finite verbs. [8 Marks]
- (c) Work out the internal structure of the NPs below: [12 Marks]
- (i) Each of the corrupt businessmen working for the county
 - (ii) None of the student leaders of that university
 - (iii) All the seventy green boxes of wine in the store
 - (iv) Carefully designed sleeveless tops worn by the Arabs [8 Marks]

OR

2. (a) Derive the following structures:

$VP \longrightarrow V PP$ [2 Marks]

$AdjP \longrightarrow AdvP Adj$ [2 Marks]

$NP \longrightarrow Det N PP PP$ [3 Marks]

$NP \longrightarrow Pre Det Det AdjP N$ [3 Marks]

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- (b) Draw a syntactic tree for each of the structures you have derived in (a). [10 Marks]
- (c) Use a syntactic tree to show the constituency of **John said that Joy had bought the cow**. [8 Marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ONLY TWO QUESTION

3. Cohesion in sentences can be achieved through various ways. Using suitable examples, discuss any four cohesive devices. [20 Marks]
4. (a) Adjectives display varied distributional characteristics. Demonstrate this fact by use of appropriate examples. [12 Marks]
- (b) Identify and exemplify any four types of pronouns in English.
5. (a) Non-finite clauses have various uses. Use relevant examples to discuss five such functions. [10 Marks]
- (b) Explain the following elements in a clause with relevant examples: [10 Marks]
- (i) Indirect object
 - (ii) Adverbial
 - (iii) Predicator
 - (iv) Benefactive object
 - (v) Subject complement
6. The small girl ran **towards her mother** excitedly. Subject the bolden words to any five constituency tests to prove that they are a constituent. [20 Marks]
7. Explain and give examples of the following verb categories: [20 Marks]
- (i) Auxiliaries and lexical verbs
 - (ii) Dynamic and stative verbs
 - (iii) Regular and irregular verbs
 - (iv) Transitive and intransitive verbs
 - (v) Finite and non-finite verbs
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