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

ENGL 103: ORIGIN AND DEVELOPMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

STREAMS: BED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 27/04/2023

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer ALL questions in section A and any other TWO in section B
- The lecturer values accuracy and cleanliness of expression
- Do not write on the question paper

**SECTION A: COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)**

1. (a) Describe the role of English as Global language [12 marks]  
(b) Explain the role of English in Kenya. [8 marks]  
(c) With illustrations give any five characteristics of Kenyan English. [10 marks]

**SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION**

2. (a) Discuss the notion of a language family. [3 marks]  
(b) Describe five major language families of the world. [10 marks]  
(c) Explain the impact of media and communication on the development of English [4 marks]  
(d) Define the following terms [3 marks]  
(i) Synthetic language  
(ii) Diachronic linguistics
3. (i) Discuss four factors that contributed to the reestablishment of English between AD 1200-1500. [8 marks]  
(ii) List any four reasons for the rise of London dialect to Standard English. [4 marks]  
(iii) Explain any four factors that contributed to the growth of English during the renaissance period. [8 marks]

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4. Discuss the contribution of the following groups in the growth and development of English. [20 marks]
- (i) Romans
  - (ii) French
  - (iii) The Scandinavians
  - (iv) The Celts
5. Discuss any five factors that contributed to the spread of English language across the globe. [20 marks]
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