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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE:           ENG 221

COURSE TITLE:         ENGLISH SYNTAX I

DATE: 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2019

TIME: 9.00 AM – 12.00 PM

### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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## ENG221 ENGLISH SYNTAX I

STREAM: B.Ed. (ARTS)

TIME: 3 HOURS

- i. Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions
- ii. Do not write the on the question paper

**Question One**

- a) Identify and provide illustrations of the **four** functions found in the Noun Phrase. (12 Marks)
- b) Determine the phrase type and grammatical function of each of the underlined phrases below.
  - i. Her ability to dance is amazing.
  - ii. His death is still mysterious.
  - iii. He found a picture of Mary. (9 Marks)
- c) Identify all the Prepositional Phrases in the following sentences:
  - i. The dancers with ribbons sat on the floor.
  - ii. He put the book beside the pen on the table.
  - iii. The children walked silently along the road. (5 Marks)
- d) Identify the syntactic functions in the following sentence  
The smoke from the wet firewood made them very sick. (4 Marks)

**Question Two**

- a) i. Define the term *apposition* and provide two examples. (4 Marks)
- ii. Discuss any **three** characteristics of *apposition*. (6 Marks)
- b) Identify the modifier functions present in the structures below:
  - i. The beautiful girl in the room is Anne.
  - ii. A university student was here. (6 Marks)
- c) Identify the types of modification in the structures in (b) above. (4 Marks)

**Question Three**

- a) Discuss the structure of the English Prepositional Phrase using **two** illustrations. (4 Marks)
- b) Identify **two** phrases in each of the following structures:
  - i. afraid of people
  - ii. was sitting near the bridge
  - iii. furious with his class (6 Marks)
- c) Write brief notes on the structure of the Adverb Phrase. (10 Marks)

**Question Four**

- a) Discuss the notion discontinuous modification and provide appropriate illustrations. (10 marks)
- b) Explain and provide an illustration for each of the following concepts:
  - i. Restrictive relative clauses
  - ii. Non-restrictive relative clauses (10 Marks)

**Question Five**

- a) Distinguish between syntactic structure and syntactic function.
- b) Explain the term Generative Grammar.

(15 marks)  
(5 Marks)

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