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MAIN EXAMINATION

MAY – AUGUST 2022 TRIMESTER

FACULTY ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES LITERATURE & COMMUNICATION

REGULAR PROGRAMME

ENG 203: VARIETIES OF ENGLISH

Date: July 2022	Duration: 2 Hours
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Instructions: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions
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QUESTION ONE

a) Define the following concepts as used in varieties of English:

(10 marks)

- i) Dialect
- ii) Standard language
- iii) Idiolect
- iv) Jargon
- v) Official language

b) Explain any **FOUR** factors that influence language variation.

(8 marks)

c) List any **FOUR** characteristics of a standard language. (4 marks)

d) Describe any **FOUR** factors that favoured the spread of English as a global language. (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Contrast British and American English in terms of:

(20 marks)

- i) Spelling
- ii) Vocabulary
- iii) Grammar
- iv) Pronunciation

QUESTION THREE

- a) What is language standardization? **(2 marks)**
b) Describe the process of language standardization. **(18 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

Discuss the characteristics of Kenyan English in relation to the Standard English under the following sub-headings: **(20 marks)**

- i) Phonology
ii) Grammar
iii) Vocabulary
iv) Use of proverbs

QUESTION FIVE

Compare and contrast pidgins and creoles. **(20 marks)**

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