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#### MAIN EXAMINATION

## JANUARY - APRIL 2015 TRIMESTER

# **FACULTY OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

### **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

#### SCHOOL FOCUSED PROGRAMME

**ENG 201: ENGLISH MORPHOLOGY AND SYNTAX** 

Date: April 2015 Duration: 2 Hours
Instructions: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

- Q1. a) Using a single phrase market of an English sentence, define the following concepts and illustrate how they are realized.
  - i) Dominance
  - ii) Mother Nodes
  - iii) Sister Nodes
  - iv) Daughter Nodes
  - v) Terminal Node

(20 marks)

b) With appropriate illustrations, discuss FOUR word formation processes.

(10 marks)

Q2. Define the term 'phrase' and explain FOUR criteria that can be used to establish that a group of words is a phrase.

(20 marks)

Q3. a) Using examples, describe the phonological conditioning of the English past tense morpheme.

(10 marks)

b) Explain any FOUR lexical relations concepts using examples from English language.

(10 marks)

Q4. Describe any FOUR criteria used in defining the term 'word,' pointing out through limitations of each criterion.

(20 marks)

Q5. a) Describe any FOUR types of transformations using two examples for each type.

(20 marks)

- b) Draw tree diagrams for the following sentences.
  - i) The old man died
  - ii) The beautiful girl cried loudly
  - iii) Susa Cooked
  - iv) I will come early

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