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CENTRE: MAIN

COURSE CODE: AEN 203

COURSE TITLE: THE ENGLISH WORD AND MORPHOLOGY

EXAM VENUE: **STREAM: BED (ARTS)**

DATE: **EXAM SESSION:**

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions:

1. **Answer question 1(compulsory) and ANY other 2 questions.**

2. **Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**

3. **Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)
Using appropriate examples, explain the distinction between the following terms
a. Morpheme, morph and allomorph   (9 marks)
b. Word, word form and lexeme (9 marks)
c. Inflection and derivation as processes of word formation. (12 marks)

QUESTION TWO
Consider the following words from English
  i.   Reuse
  ii. Optional
  iii. Prettier
  iv. Blackboards
  v.   Oxen
a. State whether each of these words is simple or complex. (5 marks)
b. Identify the morpheme(s) in each of these words and state whether they are bound or free, derivational or inflectional. (15 marks)

QUESTION THREE
Consider the following data from English.

impossible   impolite   immobile
indirect   inseparable   invisible
incomplete   incongruent
inactive   inequality

a. Identify all the morphemes in the data. (12 marks)
b. Identify all the allomorphs in the data. (3 marks)
c. With a clear explanation, state the morpheme exhibiting allomorphy. (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR
Draw a tree structure for each of the following compound words
a. Fire-engine   (3 marks)
b. Dog-food-box   (5 marks)
c. Base-ball-bat-rack   (7 marks)
d. Abortion-debate   (5 marks)

QUESTION FIVE
Citing relevant examples, discuss the following word formation processes. (20 marks)
a. Compounding
b. Blending
c. Backformation
d. Conversion
e. Clipping