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KISII CAMPUS-FULL TIME

COURSE CODE: AEN 203

COURSE TITLE: THE ENGLISH WORD MORPHOOGY

EXAM VENUE: LR 17

STREAM: (BED)

DATE: 19/04/17

EXAM SESSION: 9.00 – 11.00 AM

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer Question ONE (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)

- a) Using suitable examples, explain the following concepts: (10 marks)
- i. Lexeme
 - ii. Acronym
 - iii. Blending
 - iv. Suprafix
 - v. Morphology
- b) Giving examples explain what you understand by the statement “a root is a single morpheme.” (6 marks)
- c) Differentiate between a base and a root. (4 marks)
- d) Briefly discuss the truth of the following statements. (6 marks)
- i. Back-formation is a special case of clipping
 - ii. English is partially agglutinating and partially inflectional
- e) Using relevant examples differentiate between a morph and a morpheme. (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Define the term inflection. (2 marks)
- b) With suitable examples name and explain the inflectional categories and affixes. (10 marks)
- c) Explain the occurrence of allomorphs in English. (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Describe the concept of productivity in English word formation. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss how compounding and conversion realize productivity. (16 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) In the light of at least five characteristics of words, determine whether the underlined words in the following sentences are words. (20 marks)
- i. The crushify woman is our relative.
 - ii. This is a suitable addendum.
 - iii. The Vice Chancellor appointed ad hoc committee.

QUESTION FIVE

- a) The distinction between inflectional and derivational morphology rests in the fact that the two are functional oppositions. Giving adequate illustrations from English discuss the truth of this statement. (20 marks)