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KISUMU LEARNING CENTRE

COURSE CODE: AEN 103

COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE

EXAM VENUE:--

STREAM: Bed Arts

DATE: 19/04/17

EXAM SESSION: 2.00 – 4.00PM

TIME: 2.00 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) (30 Marks)

- a. How is the study of **Historical Linguistics** related to **Comparative Linguistics**? (10 marks)
- b. Using examples discuss how a language can change. (10 marks)
- c. Explain the model of “**Language Family**” using the English language as an example. (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) What are the characteristic differences between **Old English** and **Modern English**?(15 marks)
- b) Describe the **flexibility in vocabulary** in **Old English**. (5marks)

QUESTION THREE

Discuss how **Middle English** represents a “**language in transition**”. (20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Give an account of the rise of **Standard English**. (10 marks)
- b) What was the “**Great Vowel Shift**”? What aspects of it have been challenged? (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Briefly discuss the following concepts:

- i. **English as a World Language** (8 marks)
- ii. **English as a Second Language** (6 marks)
- iii. **English as a Foreign Language** (6 marks)