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TITTLE OF PAPER: GRAMMAR II: PHRASES AND CLAUSES
COURSE CODE: ENG 201/ IDE- ENG 201
TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper has four (4) questions
2. Question 1 is compulsory.
3. Choose one other question from Questions 2 to Question 4.
4. Question 1 is worth thirty (30) marks and Questions 2-4 are worth twenty (20) marks each.
5. Presentation of answers should follow linguistic conventions where necessary and and good language will attract credit.

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QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

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(a) In English, phrases constitute two kinds of elements: the head and modifiers. Explain what these elements are; use relevant examples to illustrate your answer.

[10 marks]

(b) Underline subordinate clauses in the following sentences and name the type of each underlined subordinate clause.

(i) The lady who recived the dean's award is employed by MTN.

[2 marks]

(ii) How he behaved disturbed all of us.

[2 marks]

(iii) Tom applied for a part-time job so that he could have extra money for his personal needs.

[2 marks]

(iv) A new pair of shoes is what my daughter really wants for christmas.

[2 marks]

(v) This perfume has fragrance that everyone likes.

[2 marks]

(c) Discuss the different patterns in which an adjective phrase can appear in a sentence. Give examples to illustrate your answer.

[10 marks]

[TOTAL: 30 MARKS]

QUESTION 2

Name the types of the phrases written in bold and discuss their constituents in detail.

(a) Erica sold me **an extremely good camera**.

[4 marks]

(b) The bride **looked much prettier than we had imagined**.

[6 marks]

(c) We **may have been being followed by a big noisy crowd**.

[10 marks]

[TOTAL: 20 MARKS]

QUESTION 3

(a) Discuss the following clause elements and give examples to illustrate your answer.

- (i) Subject [4 marks]
- (ii) Predicate [6 marks]

(b) With the aid of relevant examples, discuss any three syntactic functions of noun clauses.

[10 marks]

[TOTAL: 20 MARKS]

QUESTION 4

(a) Using examples of your own, explain what is meant by the following terms:

- (i) Sentence fragment [5 marks]
- (ii) Run-on sentences [5 marks]

(b) Form complete sentences from the following sentence fragments.

- (i) Until the game is over. [2 marks]
- (ii) As if he didn't know. [2 marks]
- (iii) Provided that you phone first. [2 marks]
- (iv) Even if you are my friend. [2 marks]
- (v) Sneaking into the house after midnight. [2 marks]

[TOTAL: 20MARKS]