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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

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TITLE OF PAPER: GRAMMAR III: CLAUSE COMBINING AND TEXT CREATION.

COURSE CODE: ENG 301 / IDE-ENG 301

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. This paper has four (4) questions

2. Question 1 is compulsory, and it is worth 30 marks.

3. Choose one other question from questions 2 to 4. Each question is worth 20 marks

4. Appropriate use of English and linguistic conventions is essential in this paper.

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Question 1

- a) What is the distinction between what Aremo (1990) calls basic simple sentences and non-basic simple sentences? (10)
- b) State whether the following structures are sentences (simple, complex and compound), fragments or run-on sentences. Give a reason for your answer.

(i) The Bible says when men slept. (2)

(ii) The baby was very sick the mother rushed her to the nearest clinic for treatment however the clinic was closed and the nurses had already left since it was a weekend therefore the condition of the child got worse.

(iii) The beautiful very kind and highly educated ladies in this very rural and poor community who have the opportunities to be employed by the private companies in this country.

(iv) The groom was not well during his wedding: he kept on going to the toilet and sweating profusely. (2)

[10 marks]

c) What is the importance of Apposition in the expansion of the clause in English?
Illustrate your answer with relevant examples. (10)

[30 marks]

Question 2

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Discuss in detail the clause elements that are used within the independent clause in English. [20 marks]

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Question 3

Discuss the function of the following in text creation:

a) Paratactic and hypotactic relationship between clauses (5)

b) List the grammatical structures that can be used to show adjuncts, disjuncts and conjuncts in English. Use each one of them in a sentence to illustrate each type of adverbial. (15)

[20 marks]

Question 4

Discuss four processes which occur when we coordinate independent clauses to form compound sentences, and using a short text as an example, show how they bring a logical presentation of a text.

[20 marks]