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RE-SIT EXAMINATION

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TITLE OF PAPER: GRAMMAR 1: A SURVEY OF ENGLISH GRAMMAR

COURSE CODE: ENG111/IDE-ENG111

TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1. THIS PAPER HAS FOUR (4) QUESTIONS.**
 - 2. QUESTION 1 IS COMPULSORY, AND IS WORTH 30 MARKS.**
 - 3. CHOOSE ONE OTHER QUESTION FROM QUESTIONS 2 TO**
 - 4. EACH QUESTION IS WORTH 20 MARKS.**
 - 4. PRESENT YOUR WORK NEATLY. USE LINGUISTIC CONVENTIONS WHERE NECESSARY**
 - 5. WRITE YOUR PROGRAMME (B.A. HUMANITIES / B. A. JMC/ B.Ed. PRIMARY/SECONDARY) ON THE COVER OF YOUR ANSWER SCRIPT.**
 - 6. CLEARLY INDICATE WHETHER YOU ARE IN (IDE) OR (FULL TIME) IN THE APPROPRIATE SECTION.**

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Question 1 (Compulsory)

[30 Marks]

- a) What was the main contribution of the prescriptive grammar theory to the study of language? (5)
- b) Identify the types of the underlined phrases in the following sentences, and then state the syntactic function of each. (15)
- i. The young man who owns this garden won the hearts of the judges.
 - ii. He is a very hardworking, serious young man.
 - iii. They then made him their leader.
 - iv. Because he is kind and focused.
 - v. He also does his work diligently.
- c) (i) Write three functions of the prepositional phrase within the clause. Give one example for each function. (6)
- (ii) Draw the tree diagram of the following sentence. (4)

The sick child was admitted to hospital last night.

Question 2

[20 marks]

Describe in detail five syntactic functions of English nouns. Your description should have adequate examples which are also clearly explained (i.e. comment).

Question 3

[20 marks]

- a) List seven events that occur when human beings use spoken language to communicate. (7)
- b) Write the fields of linguistics that focus on studying each event (7)
- c) Describe the varieties of English according to function. (6)

Question 4

[20 marks]

Briefly describe the following:

- a) coordinating conjunctions
- b) morphophonemic rules
- c) transformational rules
- d) concrete nouns
- e) transitive verbs