



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR
THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)**

COURSE CODE: LAC 3107

**COURSE TITLE: THE STRUCTURE OF THE
MODERN ENGLISH CLAUSE**

DATE: 10TH DECEMBER 2018

TIME:1100-1300HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer question one and any other three questions

Q1.a) Provide two examples of sentences for each of the following clause patterns:

- i) SVC (2 marks)
- ii) SVA (2 marks)
- iii) SVOO (2 marks)
- iv) SVOC (2 marks)
- v) SVOA (2 marks)

b) Using three examples, explain the following functions of the noun clause in sentences:

- i. Subject. (3marks)
- ii. Direct object (3marks)
- iii. Subject compliment (3marks)
- iv. Appositive (3marks)
- v. Object of the preposition. (3marks)

Q2.a) Explain the following:

- i) Thematic Fronting (5 marks)
- ii) Thematic Postponement (5 marks)

b) Identify the adjuncts in the following sentences

- i) He walks very carefully. (2 marks)
- ii) He was born in 1997. (2 marks)
- iii) I loved it very much. (2 marks)
- iv) The players relaxed for a few minutes. (2 marks)
- v) Perhaps she loves him. (2 marks)

Q3. Identify and describe any four types of MOOD in English clauses. (20 marks)

Q4. Using examples, explain the following terms:

- i) Predicate (10 marks)
- ii) Complement (5 marks)
- iii) Adverbial (5 marks)

Q5. Discuss the concepts of ambiguity and discontinuous structures in the English clause. (20 marks)

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