



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

1ST YEAR 2ND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

B.ED ARTS/ B.A.

COURSE CODE: LAC 1211

COURSE TITLE: HISTORY OF ENGLISH

DATE: 29TH APRIL 2019

TIME: 0830 – 1030 HRS

Instructions:

Attempt question ONE and any other TWO questions.

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QUESTION ONE (30 marks)

- (a) Explain any four reasons for the study of the History of English. **(8 marks)**
- (b) Discuss any four causes of language change. **(12marks)**
- (d) Distinguish between Pidgins and Creoles. **(10marks)**

QUESTION TWO (20 marks)

- (a) Giving examples, discuss at least five different situations under which non-varieties of English have developed. **(10 marks)**
- (b) Explain why the East Midland dialect was chosen as the dialect for the London speech. **(10 marks)**

QUESTION THREE (20 marks)

Outline the development of English language during the Modern English Period. **(20 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR (20 marks)

Discuss the contribution of the Norman Conquest to the development of the English language. **(20 marks)**

QUESTION FIVE (20 marks)

- (a) Examine any three methods used in Historical and Comparative Linguistics **(12 marks)**
- (b) Describe the features of American English that make it distinct from British English. **(8 marks)**

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