



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**SCHOOL UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS & SOCIAL SCIENCES
B.A (LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION &
B.ED (ARTS)**

COURSE CODE : LAC 1210-1

**COURSE TITLE : INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH
GRAMMAR.**

DATE: 24/4/2023

TIME: 1430-1630 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

1. Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions
2. Do not write anything on this question paper.

This paper consists of 3 printed pages. Please turn over.

QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY (20 MARKS)

1. a) Underline the subordinate clauses in the sentences below:

(i) We asked them if they wanted assistance or not. (1Mark)

(ii) Whatever problem I have is none of your business. (1Mark)

(iii) Watching a movie will keep the students out of mischief. (1Mark)

(iv) Whereas the Building Bridges Initiative is welcome, the involvement of politicians in sensitizing the citizenry is not a noble idea. (1 Mark)

(v) It is unfortunate that the non-local teachers have abandoned their work stations because of terrorist attacks. (1Mark)

b) Define the following:

i) Word (2 marks)

ii) Phrase (2 marks)

iii) Clause (2marks)

iv) Sentence (2marks)

c) List 4 parts of speech which belong to the Open Class and 3 which belong to the Closed Class parts of speech. (7 marks)

2.a) Explain the differences between the main verbs and primary auxiliary verbs. (9marks)

b) Use the words below as instructed (6marks)

Should (i) to express obligation

ii) to show expectation

Would i) to express a polite request

ii) to show preference

May i) to express possibility

ii) to seek permission

3 a) Account for five forms of the adverbial phrase (10 marks)

b) Identify and classify one phrase in each of the following sentences.

i) The cobbler charged excessively high prices. (1Mark)

ii) Weeding flower garden is fun. (1 Mark)

iii) The girls swimming in the pool are my daughters.

iv) Long drought threatens breeding of rare animal species

v) The development project initiated today is to be completed in four years (1 Mark)

4.a) Explain with examples five sub-classes of pronouns (10 marks)

b) Illustrate the differences between attributive and predicative adjectives (5Marks)

5. 1. a) Differentiate the following terms using suitable examples (12 Marks)

i) Voice and aspect

ii) Transitivity and intransitivity

iii) Compound and complex sentences

b) Briefly illustrate one use of the noun phrase (3 Marks)

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