



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SCHOOL OF ARTS & SOCIAL SCIENCES

B.ED ARTS/B.A. (LINGUISTICS)

COURSE CODE: ENG 412/LAC 4214

COURSE TITLE: DISCOURSE ANALYSIS

DATE: 15TH APRIL 2019

TIME: 1100 - 1300 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer **THREE** questions
- Question **ONE** is Compulsory

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1. a) Distinguish between the following terms as used in discourse analysis

i) Sentence and utterance

ii) Theme and Rheme

iii) New and given information **(12 marks)**

b) Examine the role played by context in the interpretation of discourse

(8 marks)

c) Discuss functional differences between spoken and written forms of language.

(10 marks)

(20 marks)

2. 'For a text to be interpreted as a discourse unit, it has to meet a variety of standards'. Discuss any five of these standards.

(20 marks)

3. Discuss Speech Acts theory showing its relevance in ordinary conversations.

(20 marks)

4. Discuss the concepts of Exchange and Moves in the Birmingham school.

(20 Marks)

5. Advocate: Did you really see her?

Witness: She was very near to me.

Advocate: And you saw her?

Prosecutor: I object. The advocate is leading the witness.

Magistrate: Objection overruled.

Using ethnography of speaking concepts analyse the dialogue above.

(20 marks)

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