



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**SCHOOL BASED 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 : ENG 212

**COURSE TITLE : ENGLISH WORD AND
MORPHOLOGY**

DATE: 3/5/2023

TIME: 1400-1600 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Question **ONE** is compulsory

Answer any other **TWO** questions

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QUESTION ONE

- a). Derivational morphemes create new words while inflectional morphemes create variant word forms to show different grammatical functions. Using relevant examples justify this statement. (20mks)
- b). Using suitable examples, explain five implied meanings used to define the English word. (10mks)

QUESTION TWO

Use relevant examples to explain the following functions of derivational morphology:

- a). Semantic and function shift (4mks)
- b). Clipping and backformation (4mks)
- c). Reduplication and compounding (4mks)
- d). Blending and affixation (4mks)
- e). Borrowing and coinage (4mks)

QUESTION THREE

- a). Using the following sentence as your point of reference, identify and explain the different morphemes in it. (12mks)

“The cows jumped over the fence when it was raining heavily”.

- b). Explain using appropriate illustrations, the following morphological concepts:

- I). Morphs (2mks)
- II). Stems (2mks)
- III). Neologism (2mks)
- IV). Segmentation (2mks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a). Using the following affixes, develop and explain new forms of words indicating their old and new grammatical categories. (20mks)

- I). -ment

II). -er

III). -il

IV). dis-

b) Provide four word- forms for the following morphemes: (8mks)

I) love

II) Present

III) Mark

IV) Grace

QUESTION FIVE

Explain the inflectional morphemes in the following sentences.

a). They sang a wonderful song. (4mks)

b).The newest car was driven by Tom. (4mks)

c). Playing hockey impressed the visitors. (4mks)

d). It rained heavily last night. (4mks)

e). The prayers presented were touching. (4mks)

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