

KISII UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

ENGL 412: ADVANCED DESCRIPTION OF MODERN ENGLISH

EXAMINATION DRAFT

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **QUESTION ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

1. a. Discuss the significance of this course to student teachers. (6 mks).
b. Describe the structure of a complex noun phrase in English. (9 mks).
c. Demonstrate adverb mobility in English clauses. (7 mks).
d. Distinguish passivization from subject-verb inversion in the English clause? (8 mks).
2. a. Describe any four simple sentence structures in English (12 mks).
b. Explain the following linguistic concepts (8 mks).
 - i. Anaphor
 - ii. Non-count noun
 - iii. Operator
 - iv. Clausal
3. a. With relevant illustrations, explain the difference between finite and non-finite verbs in English. (12 mks).
b. Show that the –s form of verbs has three different phonological realizations. (8 mks).
4. a. Explain question tagging in English sentences. (8 mks).
b. Differentiate between tense and aspect. (6 mks).
c. Show how we coordinate predicates. (6 mks).
5. Discuss subordination in English sentences. Use tree diagrams to illustrate your answer (20 mks).
6. a. Explain the following concepts (8 mks)
 - i. Sentential
 - ii. Quantifier
 - iii. Modal
 - iv. Coherence
b. Describe the criteria for ellipsis. (12 mks).