



MASENO UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION WITH INFORMATION
TECHNOLOGY

(HOMA BAY CAMPUS – REGULAR)

AEN 102: INTRODUCTION TO LINGUISTICS

Date: 1st December, 2013,

Time: 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.**

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HOMABAY LEARNING CENTER (REGULAR PROGRAMME)

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Instructions: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

- Q1.** a) Differentiate between language and linguistics. (6 marks)
- b) Explain **one** of Noam Chomsky's main contribution to Linguistics. (4 marks)
- b) With examples expound on the following concepts: articulatory, acoustic and auditory phonetics. (12 marks)
- c) Describe **four** causes of language change. (8 marks)
- Q2.** By providing suitable examples, describe the following branches of linguistics:
- i) Neurolinguistics
 - ii) Phonology
 - iii) Morphology
 - iv) Syntax
 - v) Semantics (20 marks)
- Q3.** Identify and explain the stages in language planning in Kenya. (20 marks)
- Q4.** Giving appropriate examples from the English language, explain what you understand by the following:
- i. Suffixes
 - ii. Free morphemes

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iii. Bound morphemes

iv. Suffixes

v. Reduplication

(20 marks)

Q5. a) With examples, differentiate between a Creole and a Lingua Franca as applied in Sociolinguistics (10 marks)

b) Explain how the process of acquisition and learning of a language differs.

(10 marks)