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**SUPPLEMENTARY/RE-SIT EXAMINATION JULY 2018**

- TITLE OF PAPER : LINGUISTIC ANALYSIS OF THE MAIN LANGUAGE 111**
- COURSE CODE : AL 307**
- TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS**
- INSTRUCTIONS :**
- 1. ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS IN TOTAL**
  - 2. ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS FROM EACH SECTION**
  - 3. ANSWERS SHOULD BE ADEQUATELY ILLUSTRATED**
  - 4. LINGUISTIC EXPRESSIONS AND FORMALISMS SHOULD BE USED  
WHEREVER APPROPRIATE**
  - 5. MARKS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR UNTIDY WORK, WRONG  
SPELLING AND UNGRAMMATICAL SENTENCES**
  - 6. ALL EXAMPLES SHOULD BE GLOSSED**

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## SECTION A - ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

### QUESTION 1

- a) The following sentence is said to be ambiguous in **FOUR** ways.

Bo Sanele na Banele bayatsandzana

Provide the **FOUR** meanings entailed in this sentence. [8 marks]

- b) Using the Transformational Generative Grammar approach, derive the sentence  
Sanele ubukana na Banele [17 marks]

### QUESTION 2

- a) Discuss the causative construction in terms of form and meaning. [ 5 marks]  
b) With the aid of examples show that the causative construction comes from a bi-clausal structure. [15 marks]  
c) Comment on the DOC that results from the causative construction. [ 5 marks]

### QUESTION 3

With the aid of examples from siSwati, fully discuss the classification of the verb on the basis of phonology and clearly explain the linguistic significance of such a classification.

[25 marks]

## SECTION B – ANSWER TWO QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION

### QUESTION 4

Using Meinhof's classification, tabulate the indicative mood in the remote past, perfect, positive, progressive implication using the verb stem /hamb-a/ [25 marks]

### QUESTION 5

- a) With the aid of examples, discuss the double object constructions (DOCs) in siSwati. [10 marks]  
b) Critically discuss the three parameters outlined by Hyman and Duranti to determine which object in a DOC is the object. In your argument, use the monomorphemic ditransitive verbs. [15 marks]

## QUESTION 6

- a) What is the meaning of a sentence that has a verb which is used in a potential mood?  
[2 marks]
- b) Write sentences in the potential mood, positive for the following tenses using the simple progressive and exclusive implication. Give the structure of the verb used in each sentence as well:
- i) Present tense [6 marks]
  - ii) Remote past tense using the long vowel [aa] [6 marks]
  - iii) Remote past tense using a high tone [6 marks]
- c) The potential mood cannot be used with the future tense. Briefly explain why this is or is not so?  
[7 marks]