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**TITLE OF PAPER:** INTRODUCTION TO ENGLISH MORPHOLOGY AND SYNTAX  
**COURSE CODE:** ENG 202  
**TIME ALLOWED:** 2 HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer one question from SECTION A and one from SECTION B.
- Write all your answers in the booklet provided.
- Number your answers well using the numbering in the question paper. Do not invent your own numbering.

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## SECTION A: MORPHOLOGY

### QUESTION 1

(a) With the help of examples show in what four (4) ways inflectional morphemes differ from derivational morphemes. [20 marks]

(b) Analyse the morphemes of each of these words with the help of a tree diagram [6 each ]:

- (i) unbecomingly
- (ii) irregularity
- (iii) examination
- (iv) reunited
- (v) inconsiderate
- (vi) transcontinental

### QUESTION 2

(a) With the aid of two examples each, discuss five (5) derivational morphological processes used in word formation [20]

(b) Using labelled bracketing, analyze each of the following lexemes

- (i) unidirectional [4]
- (ii) misunderstandable [3]
- (iii) decommission [3]
- (iv) mismanagement [3]
- (v) premeditatedly [4]
- (vi) restatement [4]

(c) The following lexemes have been formed by compounding:

- (i) sunbath
- (ii) city centre
- (iii) coffee table
- (iv) walkman
- (v) house-on-fire

for each of the above compounds, indicate which one is endocentric, exocentric, and appositional. Justify your answer. [9]

## SECTION B: SYNTAX

### QUESTION 3

(a) With the aid of examples explain the terms **surface structure** and **deep structure**. [8]

(b) ~~With the aid of examples~~ explain the three ways of determining sentence constituents [18]

(c) Draw structure tree diagrams for the following:

- (i) The baby cried [6]
- (ii) The young athletic team members [6]
- (iii) The students will buy stationery from the university bookshop [12]

#### QUESTION 4

(a) The sentence '**Susie left the men without remorse**' is structurally ambiguous

- (i) Draw the two possible structures
- (ii) Explain what the two readings are
- (iii) Which reading corresponds to which structure? [20]

(b) Give the fully labelled X-bar structure of the following sentences

- (i) The happy prince of Norway will arrive in Iceland tomorrow.
- (ii) Your idea can certainly change the course of events in France.
- (iii) Harry knew that we could invent the method of cold fusion.
- (iv) It was important for Bill to establish his reputation.
- (v) For them to advocate this point proved that they knew the job. [30]