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SECOND OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER	
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INSTRUCTIONS	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Answer ALL the questions.2. Read all the questions carefully before answering.3. Number the answers clearly.4. Write the name of your lecturer clearly on the cover of your examination book.	

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Question 1

1.1 Define the following concepts: [10]

- a) Sentence [2]
- b) Morphosyntax [2]
- c) Grammar [2]
- d) Semantics [2]
- e) Word classes [2]

Question 2

2.1 Syntax and Semantics are both branches of linguistics. Critically, compare and contrast Syntax and Semantics. [10]

2.2 Write an essay in which you discuss the similarities and differences between the following: [30]

- a) Transformational Grammar [10]
- b) Traditional Grammar [10]
- c) Descriptive Grammar [10]

Question 3

3.1 Name the types of sentences in the following: [10]

- a) Maria waited for the bus, but the bus was late. [2]
- b) Tomas and Titus took the train. [2]
- c) I did not see them at school because they arrived at school before afternoon. [2]
- d) It was not me who took your pen. [2]
- e) I will get to watch television, but first, I have to clean up the dishes after we finish eating. [2]

Question 4

4.1 Identify the clause structures in terms of S, P, O, C, A. [10]

- a) That story about a live crocodile in the river has been confirmed. [2]
- b) The fisherman caught the intruder red-handed. [2]
- c) Evelyn always has a good laugh over a joke. [2]
- d) On land policy, the leader of the youth is being extremely reckless. [2]
- e) All of them were worried about their own projects. [2]

Question 5

5.1 Draw tree diagrams of the following sentences, using the phrase structure rules. [20]

- a) The belief that the earth is flat is a widespread belief.

Question 6

6.1 Explain the syntactic ambiguity in the following sentences. Write the appropriate answer next to the letter. [10]

- a) The professor said on Monday he will give an examination. [2]
- b) I saw the man with the binoculars. [2]
- c) Amenenge bathed her daughter in a pink dress. [2]
- d) The chicken is ready to eat. [2]
- e) They were milking cows. [2]

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