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YEAR ONE, SEMESTER TWO

DATE: 11TH JULY, 2022

TIME: 9:30AM – 12:30PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Read the instructions carefully before attempting any question.

Section A is compulsory

Any rough work should be done in the answer booklet and crossed out after.

SECTION A: This section is compulsory and carries 40 marks

1A. Condense the paragraph below in not more than 30 words (10 marks)

A land may be covered with historic trophies, with museums of science and galleries of art, with universities and with libraries; the people may be civilized and ingenious, the country may even be famous in the annals and actions of the world; but, gentlemen, if the population every ten years decreases, and the stature of the race every ten years diminishes, the history of that country will soon be the history of the past.

1B. Turn this direct speech into indirect/reported speech. (20 marks)

(30)
OR

"When the Covid 19 task force was set up last year, the Government was prompted by both national and local motives. The distress and human losses which have afflicted several other countries during the last two years of the pandemic have not been confined to specific areas in their effect. The experience of Uganda's health system in responding to similar crises influenced the early response to the pandemic by locking down the country. During the last few years reports of all kinds have drifted out from Kampala to the various countries of the world, where Uganda's success against viral outbreaks such as Ebola and Marburg has usually been hailed as phenomenal. People are always slow to believe the best, and the best has been made of the success stories through which Uganda has been and still is passing. It will be clear to everybody that, although there are many things which the Kampala government will have to do before it masters the fight against viral outbreaks, there is no reason whatsoever to doubt its eventual victory. I trust that you as representatives of the people will endorse the government's health strategies."

1C. Rewrite the following sentences as indicated in the brackets (10 marks)

- (i) There will be no examinations this year. (Rewrite in the interrogative form)
- (ii) Mr. Ogwang taught the students last year. (Rewrite in the passive form)
- (iii) I showed to him some of my friends. (Rewrite this sentence correctly)
- (iv) My sister finds it hard to read and write. (Rewrite using the word 'hardly')
- (v) Most of the villagers were impoverished by alcoholism. (Rewrite using the active form)

SECTION B: Answer one question. This section carries 30 marks

EITHER

2. Write an essay of 300 words to explain the importance of note-taking and note-making to you as a university student.

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(30 marks)

OR

3. With an example for each, explain FOUR techniques you should consider to write effective sentences. **(30 marks)**

SECTION C: Answer one question. This section carries 30 marks.

EITHER

4. What five strategies would you adopt to become an effective listener? Explain. **(30 marks)**

OR

5. With ample examples, discuss the elements of academic writing. **(30 marks)**