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**THIRDYEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF**  
**EDUCATION (ARTS)**

CLL303 - SYNTACTIC ANALYSIS

DURATION: 2 HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

1. Answer question one and any other two questions.
2. Mobile phones are not allowed in the examination room.
3. You are not allowed to write on this examination question paper.

**SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a. Highlight any four fundamentals elements of syntax. (4 marks)
- b. Describe the following terms as mode of syntactic description
  - i. Form. (4 marks)
  - ii. Function. (4 marks)
  - iii. Position. (4 marks)
- c. Explain any two types of clauses in English grammar giving relevant examples. (8 marks)
- d. Outline the test for syntactic nouns. (6 marks)

**SECTION B – ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION**

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the following as syntactic function in English grammar:

- a. The subject. (10 marks)
- b. The predicate. (10 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Formulate a sentence in the English language and conduct a syntactic analysis following the prescribed steps. (20 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Explain the following terms as used in syntactic analysis:

- a. Substitution. (5 marks)
- b. Coordination (5 marks)
- c. Movement. (5 marks)
- d. Constituency. (5 marks)