



**MASENO UNIVERSITY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2013/2014**

**THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE  
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS) WITH  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**(HOMA BAY CAMPUS - REGULAR)**

**AEN 304: FUNCTIONAL VARIETIES OF ENGLISH**

**Date: 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2014**

**Time: 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- **Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.**



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**INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question one and any other two questions**

- Q1. a) Differentiate the terms, style and register. (5 marks)
- b) Discuss the following distinctive styles of language use as proposed by Martin Joos (1962):
- i. Frozen (5 marks)
  - ii. Formal (5 marks)
  - iii. Consultative (5 marks)
  - iv. Casual (5 marks)
  - v. Intimate (5 marks)
- Q2. Define the following linguistic terms
- i. Communicative competence (4 marks)
  - ii. Field of discourse (4 marks)
  - iii. Mode of discourse (4 marks)
  - iv. Tenor of discourse (4 marks)
  - v. Register (4 marks)
- Q3. By providing examples, explain how the following would affect an individual's speech:
- i. Social class (5 marks)
  - ii. Linguistic context (5 marks)
  - iii. Subject matter (5 marks)
  - iv. Social distance (5 marks)
- Q4. Discuss the characteristics of the language of newspapers under the following broad topics:
- i. Punctuation (6 marks)
  - ii. Paragraphing (6 marks)
  - iii. Sentence structure (8 marks)
- Q5. Discuss any FOUR contributions of Jakobson's (1960) functions of language to the study of linguistics. (20 marks)