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**MAIN CAMPUS**

**AEN 409: PRACTICAL ENGLISH STYLISTICS**

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2016

Time: 8.30 - 10.30 am

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.

## AEN 409 PRACTICAL ENGLISH STYLISTICS

### INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

1. Read the following text and write a systematic analysis of the style used. Emphasis should be laid on what you consider the most significant linguistic features of style, for example the sentence type and structure, inter-sentence linkage, diction and any other linguistic feature. (30 mks)
  
2. With appropriate illustrations, explain how stylistics relates to the thematic concerns of a text. (20 mks)
  
3. Using appropriate illustrations, explain the significance of choice in style. (20 mks)
  
4. Explain how the following factors determine language variation:
  - i) Context
  - ii) Situational Variables
  - iii) Participants
  - iv) Audience(20 mks)
  
5. Evaluate Crystal and Davy's <sup>(date)?</sup> <sub>^</sub> notion of the term style (20 mks)

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Health > Your babies are fat because they eat so much

# Behind obese, lazy mothers are chubby and fat children

Nurturing a culture of gluttony in your children should be a criminal offence

Others of fat children should be ashamed of themselves. Behind every obese child is an equally obese and lazy mother.

So you, a mother, are fat, unwillingly and you have completely refused to run, to control your food portions or join the gym. Fine. Nobody cares anymore. It is your life. Plus size is beautiful. You are 'fashioning your flaws'. You are comfortable in your own (thick) skin and all the other feminist hogwash you feed yourself.

You have embraced your fast failing heart and clogged-up capillaries and we are waiting for you to drop dead out of all that fried chicken you have stockpiled on. Any minute now.



But it is unacceptable that you, mom, are spreading that nonsense to the next generation. That you are rising the next generation of debauched 'plus-size' activists. It is a pity that mothers who have long lost the battle with weight are dragging along their children down this road to self-destruction while passing on the diabetes baton. They have destroyed their lives, now they want to destroy that of their children. And the success rates are magnanimous.

I walk into a supermarket only to see chubby children resembling a liter of piglets let loose on a trough of snacks. Chubby tots bursting out of their XXL size clothes. Beeloned babies about to explode into a million pieces. Gluttonous broods who live for gluttonous foods.

Why are today's fat mothers raising gluttons? Is it not enough that your child grows up watching you stuff food in your face? Nurturing a culture of gluttony in your child should be a criminal offence. And where are the children's activists when you need them? Or do they just show up when the police are teargassing children? Children activists should push for laws to fat mothers of fat children.

If you, as a mother are a chubby girl, it is because you ate yourself to a cow's weight!"

Njoki Chege

How brainless can a mother be, to not cook for her children, good and healthy food but stuff their mouths with overly cheeseed pizzas?

I get angry when I see a fat mother and her fat offspring wandering in the streets looking for the nearest fast-food joint to gorge on chips and chicken.

Stop lying to your children that they are beautiful and that "we are born like this in our family." You are failing your children, big time, by lying to them and allowing them to gorge on food.

They were not born like that and they do not look good. They are not healthy. They are ticking bombs. That fat little boy of yours whose trousers you buy at the adults section and who has to wear two vests to conceal his already sagging man breasts (mooobs) is not

cute. He is a 13-year old boy, not a middle-aged man, with a mortgage and a portfolio.

Your little 12-year old girl, who already looks like a woman in her twenties, already wearing a B cup bra and sporting your jeans, is not beautiful. Children are not supposed to look like that. Children are not supposed to be fat. A fat child is a disabled child. That disability is the creation of the mother. It is a disability because that fat child cannot do things that normal children do.

That fat child is a culmination of a mother's negligence and foolishness. A fat child is the result of a weak-minded mother who cannot say "No" to a winning child who wants chips for dinner. A fat child is the creation of a lazy mother who would rather not cook and break her nails but order pizza for a child.

No, it is not in the genes. If you, as a mother are a chubby girl, it is because you ate yourself to a cow's weight. The primary reason for weight gain is food. Don't tell me about contraceptives. Does it mean that your son is also on contraception?

Do you know how fat children

have it rough in the school yard? You have not seen a real struggle until you watched a fat child try to run at pace with other children or drag their weight in the swimming pool unsuccessfully attempting backstroke.

So why are you raising a fat baby? Transform your chubby child's life. Tell them the truth. The reason they are fat is because they eat too much and spend the whole day in front of the television playing video games.

Haul that slice of pizza out of their hands. Starve them if you must. Deny them sweet and salt processed foods. For Christ's sake stop filling their lunchboxes with sausages and bacon. Stop rewarding your children with buckets of drumsticks and humongous bowls of ice cream. Cook for your children nutritious food. Buy their bicycles to keep them active. Make them run at Jeffrey's c Karura with you.

Some of these children tall I class not because they are stupid but because they have silly mom who feed them dead food like chips and burgers. Mothers of fat children just need to get their hands out of their mouths and do their job.