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Instructions: Answer Question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Question 1

- a) Identify the part of speech for each word in bold (10 marks)

When (1) **was** (2) **sent** to Nairobi to live with her uncle everybody she was the (3) **most** disagreeable-looking child ever seen. It was true, too. (4) **She** had a little thin face (5) **and** a little thin body, thin **light** (6) hair and a sour **expression** (7). Her hair was yellow, and her face was yellow (8) **because** she had been born (9) **India** and had always been ill in one way (10) **or** another.

- b) Identify the common writing mistakes in the following passage (14 marks)

John and I goes to the market every day and buys bananas. It's a big market where people love to shop to eat and dancing. The women sold us many sweet fruits mangoes oranges

bananas guavas and apples. When we get home we ate the oranges and said thank you God.

c) Write the following in all the tenses: He goes

(6 Marks)

Question 2

a. Complete the sentences with the correct question tags.

(5 marks)

- i. I went to school,
- ii. He will not come,
- iii. He rarely visits her,
- iv. He hardly goes to school,
- v. The man was in the room,

b. Punctuate the following sentences:(5)

- i. I believe he will come again the head teacher said
- ii. Yes the boy said excitedly I know him
- iii. She asked is Time a magazine you read regularly
- iv. Yes, Jim said, I'll be home by ten.
- v. Four students failed the exam Mary Njoroge Otieno and Mueni

c. Underline the dependent clause in each of the following sentences (5 marks)

- i. Although I was scared, I carefully crossed the bridge.
- ii. I admire the paintings of John whose work is exhibited in the gallery.
- iii. I know that can't be true.
- iv. When the bell rang, the pupils lined up quickly.
- v. Some people never want what is best for them.
- vi. After the wind stopped, the rain started falling down.

Question 3

a. Answer the following questions

(5 marks)

- i. What is a determiner?
- ii. What is a quantifier?

- iii. Name two kinds of quantifiers and show how they are used.
- iv. Name one type of a determiner and show how it is used.
- b. Put quotation marks wherever they are needed (4 marks)
 - i. Mary is trying hard in school this semester, her father said.
 - ii. No, the taxi driver said curtly, I cannot get you to the airport in fifteen minutes.
 - iii. I believe, Jack remarked, that the best time of year to visit Europe is in the spring. At least that's what I read in a book entitled Guide to Europe.
 - iv. She asked, is Time a magazine you read regularly?
- c. Define the following and give an example of each (6 marks)
 - i. Simple sentence
 - ii. Compound sentence
 - iii. Complex sentence

Question Four

- a) Use the correct verb (4 marks)
 - i. The teacher as well as the student _____ sick
 - ii. Either John or Mary _____ invited
 - iii. I wish I _____ you!
 - iv. The bunch of keys _____ in the drawer
- b) Use the correct parallel structure in the following sentences (4 marks)
 - i. Mother likes to cook, to bake and roasting
 - ii. Playing, praying and to read are his joy
 - iii. The salesman expected that he would present his product at the meeting, that there would be time for him to show his slide presentation and that questions would be asked by prospective buyers.
 - iv. The coach told the players that they should get enough sleep, not to eat too much, and do some warm up exercises before the game
- c) Giving examples, show what each of the following modal verbs express: (7 marks)
 - i. Must
 - ii. May
 - iii. Can

Question Five

a) Define the following and give an example of each

(8 marks)

- i. A clause
- ii. A phrase
- iii. A quantifier
- iv. A determiner

b) Define the following

(7 marks)

- i. Adverb
- ii. Preposition
- iii. Adjective
- iv. Conjunction
- v. Subordinating conjunction
- vi. Pronoun
- vii. Coordinating conjunction