

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LESOTHO

BA/B.ED EXAMINATIONS

ELX3304 – PRAGMATICS

JUNE 2023

TIME: 3 HOURS

MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTION:

Answer **ANY THREE (3)** questions.

1. In 2 pages, write an essay on the following topic: **What pragmatics teaches us about language.** [25]
2. Outline and discuss the principles of cooperation and implicature in a conversation. [25]
3. Using clear examples, discuss the following concepts:
 - a) discourse analysis; and
 - b) speech acts.[25]
4. Identify all occurrences of deixis in the passage below. State the type of deixis involved in each occurrence. State which type of deixis occurs most frequently in the text and why.

In the morning, you will be picked up from your hotel to be taken to Victoria Falls for a guided walking tour. Get ready to witness the remarkable power of nature, a spectacle you will remember for life. The walk of the falls will take around 2 hours after which you will go to Lookout Café. It is perched 120 meters above the turbulent rapids of the Zambezi River. Here, you have the option to have a light lunch from the menu while you relax and take in the amazing views. Remember to save space for your high tea. After lunch, discover the bridge and learn about its construction while seeing the high flying activities that happen there. From the bridge, progress on a short tour of Victoria Falls Hotel, the oldest hotel in the land, which holds the history of the resort town. Relax and enjoy the hotel's famous high tea on Stanley's Terrace, with spectacular views of the Victoria Falls Bridge. From the hotel, go to see the big tree which is over 1000 years old. This is where the first Europeans in Victoria Falls spent their nights in the early years. Lastly, visit the township to see how the local people live, and learn about the local customs. This will also give you the opportunity to see the craft markets where you can browse through a selection of handcrafts made by Zimbabwean artists. (Source: [Day Trips from Victoria Falls to Victoria Falls Town, Zimbabwe | GetYourGuide](#))

[25]

5. Identify and explain all occurrences of anaphora and cataphora in the text below.

Comment on why some types of anaphora appear more often than others in this text. [25]

I thought marrying a lady from her tribe would be very expensive

(Story by Sharon Kyatusiimire)

The two even went to the same church, St Luke Chapel Mulago, and were both church leaders. Emmanuel was the head of the choir while Irene was a leader of a cell. "I saw her every day in class, in the discussion groups and we even attended the same chapel," says Emmanuel. Despite being very good friends, the two did not start dating until 2014 when Emmanuel approached Irene and openly told her that he wanted her to be his wife. "One thing I can't forget is that when he approached me, he requested me to be his future wife and not just a girlfriend. It made me realize how serious my husband was," Irene comments. She describes him as a God-fearing, confident, compassionate, and hardworking man of great integrity. According to Emmanuel, he wanted to be married before he left school so as to start a family early and gain stability. He says that he had studied Irene for a year and liked her ways, like the way she paid attention and the way she spoke and carried herself. "We had a simple friendship for a year but within that time, I had started getting interested because I liked almost everything about her. She had most of the characteristics that I would want in a wife but I hesitated to tell her because of the culture difference," Emmanuel adds. Irene is a Muganda from Wakiso District while Emmanuel is a Munyakole from Mbarara District. "From my little knowledge about Baganda, I knew they liked expensive functions as compared to us, the Banyakole. I thought doing the introduction ceremony would be difficult and expensive so I was a bit scared to meet her family and almost gave up on the relationship," he says. However, Emmanuel overcame his fears and popped the big question and when Irene said yes, they started planning their journey together.

(Source: SyndiGate Media Inc.)

TOTAL MARKS: 100
