

**UNIVERSITY OF FORT HARE
EAST LONDON CAMPUS**

ECL 110E

**FIRST SEMESTER SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
JULY/ AUGUST 2023**

Time: 3 HOURS

Marks: 100

ENGLISH ONE

There are four pages including the cover page.

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Instructions:

Section A and B should be answered

SECTION A: LITERATURE

Answer ONE question from this section:

QUESTION ONE:

Provide a critical analysis of “Phenomenal Woman” by Maya Angelou.

(50 Marks)

Pretty women wonder where my secret lies.
I'm not cute or built to suit a fashion model's size
But when I start to tell them,
They think I'm telling lies.
I say,
It's in the reach of my arms
The span of my hips,
The stride of my step,
The curl of my lips.
I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

I walk into a room
Just as cool as you please,
And to a man,
The fellows stand or
Fall down on their knees.
Then they swarm around me,
A hive of honey bees.
I say,
It's the fire in my eyes,
And the flash of my teeth,
The swing in my waist,
And the joy in my feet.
I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.
Men themselves have wondered
What they see in me.
They try so much
But they can't touch
My inner mystery.

When I try to show them
They say they still can't see.
I say,
It's in the arch of my back,
The sun of my smile,
The ride of my breasts,
The grace of my style.
I'm a woman

Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

Now you understand
Just why my head's not bowed.
I don't shout or jump about
Or have to talk real loud.
When you see me passing
It ought to make you proud.
I say,
It's in the click of my heels,
The bend of my hair,
the palm of my hand,
The need of my care,
'Cause I'm a woman
Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman,
That's me.

OR

QUESTION TWO:

Differentiate between description and interpretation. Use "Dreams" by Langston Hughes to aid your discussion. (50 Marks)

Hold fast to dreams
For if dreams die
Life is a broken-winged bird
That cannot fly.
Hold fast to dreams
For when dreams go
Life is a barren field
Frozen with snow.

SECTION B: LINGUISTICS

- a) Answer both questions. Each question carries 50 marks.
- b) Both questions should be answered in essay format
- c) Each question should not exceed two (2) pages.
- d) Credit will be given to answers that are clear, concise and grammatically well-constructed.

1. Discuss the different functions of language. [25 marks]
2. With the aid of vivid examples, explain the different types of sentences. [25 marks]

END OF EXAMINATION