Nigerian English Syntax

In each section, analyze the set of examples of Nigerian English to find a common feature in each of them. Write down the feature and the expression in Standard American English.

1. a. Please horn before passing.
   b. Off the handset.
   c. On the light
   d. I naked myself.

   Feature: Universe of expressions

2. a. I am student of University of Ilorin.
   b. She made mistake.
   c. The teacher delivered lecture.

   Feature: Verb form

3. a. I am hearing you.
   b. I am remembering it.
   c. I am understanding you.

   Feature: Verb form

4. a. You are not coming to school tomorrow, will you?
   b. You have done your assignment, don’t you?
   c. He left for Lagos, isn’t it?

   Feature: Negative

5. a. We need cutleries on the table.
   b. The staffs had a holiday.
   c. There isn’t enough grasses for the cattle.

   Feature: Possession