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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2010/2011 ACADEMIC YEAR

1<sup>ST</sup> YEAR 2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

COURSE CODE/TITLE: SBT 102: PLANT MORPHOLOGY AND  
ANATOMY

END OF SEMESTER: II

TIME: 3 HOURS

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### INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **ALL** questions in Section **A** and any **TWO** in Section **B**

Illustrate your answers with diagrams where applicable.

### SECTION A – (40 MARKS) ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

#### Question One

- a) Define the term plant. (1 mark)
- b) Outline five (5) features that differentiate root from stem. (5 marks)
- c) State four(4) functions of a plant stem. (4 marks)

#### Question Two

- a) List two types of plant stems. (2 marks)
- b) Using diagrams illustrate eight leaf shapes. (8 marks)

### Question Three

- a) Differentiate between a staminate flower and a pistillate (Carpellate) flower. (1 mark)
- b) Describe five (5) main external parts of a flower (5 marks)
- c) Describe the functions of the following leaf parts:-
- i) Petiole. (1 mark)
  - ii) Lamina (blade). (1 mark)
  - iii) Stipules. (1 mark)
  - iv) Auxillary bud. (1 mark)

### Question Four

- a) Define the following terms:
- Plant Cell (1 mark)
  - Tissue. (1 mark)
  - Organelles (1 mark)
  - Organ. (1 mark)
  - Organ system. (1 mark)
- b) State five (5) classes of plant's simple permanent tissues. (5 marks)

### Question Five

Discuss five environmental stimuli sensed by plants that initiate a response. (15 marks)

### Question six

Discuss the process of primary growth and development of the flowering plant. (15 marks)

### Question Seven

Describe the events that take place in the flower after successful fertilization. (15 marks)