



EMBU UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS 2014/2015

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

ARTS

TLE 101: INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE

DATE: DECEMBER 16, 2014

TIME: 8:00 – 10:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and ANY Other TWO Questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) What is literature? (5 marks)
- b) Show the importance of literature in the society. (5 marks)
- c) Examine the relationship between language, stylistics, and literature (5 marks)
- d) Briefly, explain the main objectives of each of the following theories.
- i) Imitation theory
 - ii) Expressive theory
 - iii) Affective theory (5 marks)

e) Show how any 5 strategies of reading and interpretation of Literature.

(5 marks)

f) Briefly, discuss the features of an argument in literature

(5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Distinguish prose, drama, and poetry as genres of literature, while focusing on form and content.

(20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

Define language and examine 6 reasons why it is important in construction and interpretation of

Literature.

(20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Identify 5 literary tools and show how they are used developing 5 thematic concerns either in

Ngugi's *The River Between* or Ibsen's *A Enemy of the People*

(20 marks)

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QUESTION FIVE

Advance 5 reasons why the course, Introduction to Literature is important to a literary scholar

(20 marks)

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