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FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS 2014/2015

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

ARTS

TLE 102: INTRODUCTION TO ORAL LITERATURE

DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2014

TIME: 10:30AM – 12:30PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE and ANY Other TWO Questions

QUESTION ONE

- a) What is Oral Literature? (5 marks)
- b) What are the main genres of Oral Literature? (5 marks)
- c) Briefly discuss three main functions of Oral Literature in society? (5 marks)
- d) Briefly Examine five approaches used in the study of Oral Literature (5 marks)
- e) Show two ways in which Oral Literature differs from Written Literature (5 marks)
- f) How does Oral Literature relate to History and the Culture of the people (5 marks)

QUESTION TWO

Identify 5 proverbs from your first language; give them literal and formal translation in English, while explaining how they can be used to comment on matters of real life. (20 marks)

QUESTION THREE

Using clear illustration, examine any 5 challenges, a researcher is likely to encounter while in the field collecting study material of any genre. (20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Examine 5 arguments to underscore how the study of literature can be enhanced in Kenya Education system and beyond. (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Advance any 5 reasons to show the importance of the course, Introduction to Oral Literature to a literary scholar. (20 marks)

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