



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2019/2020

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

AGE 200: QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE METHODS

DATE: THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 2019

TIME: 4.30 P.M. - 6.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question ONE (COMPULSORY) and any the TWO Questions. Use illustrations where appropriate

1. (a) (i) Explain why statistics was important during Greeco-Roman period. (4 marks)
- (ii) Examine the role of sampling in statistics. (6 marks)
- (b) With examples, elaborate on the following terms; correlation, range, dependent variable. (6 marks)
- (c) (i) Examine the strengths and weaknesses of Focused Group Discussion as a method of data collection. (4 marks)
- (ii) Assess the need for range as a measure of dispersion. (4 marks)
- (d) Elucidate the characteristics of a normal distribution. (6 marks)
2. The following data was extracted form a second year statistics class CAT 1 results marked out of 30

S.No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Expected CAT mark	20	25	18	10	24	15	25	12	20
Mark Obtained	18	20	12	16	15	12	20	8	19

- (a) Formulate a hypothesis from the above data. (4 marks)
- (b) Elaborate how you will test the hypothesis. (10 marks)
- (c) Calculate standard deviation for scored marks. (6 marks)
3. (a) Examine the four scales of measurement using specific examples. (12 marks)
- (b) With practical examples, discuss the concept of probability in Geography. (8 marks)

4. Critique the strengths and weaknesses of any two of the following qualitative methods:

- (a) Structured observation (10 marks)
- (b) Telephone Interview (10 marks)
- (c) Focused Group Discussion (FGD) (10 marks)

5. (a) Differentiate between degrees of freedom and level of significance. (4 marks)
- (b) Given an expected value of 7 and observed value of 5 in an experiment, test the hypothesis that there is no significant difference between observed and expected values at 0.05 level of significance using Chisquare. (16 marks)