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KIRIRI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
FOR THE DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)
KLT 2309-EUROPEAN LITERATURE

Date: 17th April 2023
Time: 8.30am-10.30am

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS,

QUESTIONS ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the characteristics of the 17th century literature in Europe. (6 Marks).
- b) Briefly explain the origin of the European Drama (8 Marks).
- c) Differentiate between morality plays and Passion plays (8 Marks).
- d) Examine the main features 20th century literature (8 Marks)

QUESTIONS TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss the influence of the Indo-European Languages on European Literature (10 Marks).
- b) "The strongest man is he who stands alone". Evaluate this statement in relation to Henrik Ibsen's Enemy of the People. (10 Marks)

QUESTIONS THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Examine the historical background on the origin of the European medieval drama (10 Marks).
- b) The life of Michael Henchard can be seen to be a tragedy of one man" Discuss this statement with reference to the Thomas Hardy's The Mayor of Casterbridge (10 Marks).

QUESTIONS FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Citing examples from William Shakespeare. King Lear ,discuss the theme of human relationship in the family (10 Marks).
- b) Referring to works studied in this course discuss how realism has been realized in European literature (10 Marks).

QUESTIONS FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Examine the role of five characters in a text of your choice studied in this course (10 Marks)
- b) Illustrate how the cultural experience and struggle are reflected in Thomas Hardy **The Mayor of Casterbridge**. (10 Marks).