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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS, 2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)
KLT 2105-THEORY OF LITERATURE

Date: 2nd August 2021
Time: 8.30am-10.30am

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTIONS (COMPULSORY) ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a). Explain the terms Literary Theory (6 Marks).
- b). Discuss the earliest forms of African Literature (8 Marks).
- c). Express what the statement "Deconstructing human Identity" mean (8 Marks).
- d). Examine the nature and function of literature in society (8 Marks).

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Examine the relevance of T.S Eliot ideas of Theory of 'The Great Tradition' to an African Student of literature (10 Marks).
- b) Evaluate the impact of Marxist Theory in the growth of E.A. novel. (10 Marks).

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe Aristotle's response to Plato (8 Marks).
- b) Explain any **four** subgenres of oral literature that existed in Africa before the coming of the Whiteman (10 Marks).

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a). Illustrate the tenets of Post - Colonial Theory (10 Marks).
- b). Illustrate the structures designed by A. J Greimas derived from the study of folktales (10 Marks).

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Analyse the tenets of Psychoanalytic Theory (10 Marks).
- b) Examine the differences between The Implied Reader and The Informed Reader (10 Marks).