



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2016/2017

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

ALT 102: INTRODUCTION TO EASTERN AFRICAN ORAL LITERATURE

DATE: Friday 12th May 2017

TIME: 8.00a.m -10.00a.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS ONLY

QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY

1. Discuss the relevance of the study of East African oral Literature to the discipline of literature highlighting its usefulness to a University student. [26marks]
2. How has modern technological equipment and mass media enhanced the study and production of oral literature in East Africa? Cite relevant examples. [20marks]
3. Discuss the centrality of performance in Oral Literature.
4. Discuss the role of field research in oral literature, highlighting the problems you are likely to encounter BEFORE and DURING field research. [20marks]
5. Short forms are classified as such due to common shared characteristics. Discuss four of these characteristics with examples from the short form genres.