



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2014/2015
FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
ARTS AND BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
AHT 101: PRINCIPLES OF ARCHAEOLOGY

DATE: Tuesday, 9th December, 2014

TIME: 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer any **THREE** questions.

1. Define archaeology and explain how archaeological sites are discovered and investigated.
2. Using examples from Kenya, discuss the relevance of archaeology as a field of study.
3. Differentiate between processual and post procesual archaeology.
4. Examine the role of any three of the following theories in the history and developing of archaeology.
 - a) Uniformitarianism
 - b) Migration
 - c) Evolution and Natural selection
 - d) Post – modernism
 - e) Culture history theory
 - f) Systems theory
5. “Archaeology as a discipline is interdisciplinary in nature.” Discuss the validity of this statement.
6.
 - a) Why is dating important in archaeology?
 - b) How reliable is C14 as a chronometric dating method?
7. Discuss the concept of culture in archaeological reconstruction.