



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH)

HEH 212: VECTOR AND RODENT CONTROL

DATE: Monday 14th September 2009 TIME: 8.00am-10.00am

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer All questions in section **ONE**. In section **TWO**, answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO**
2. Exam duration is 2 hours

SECTION ONE

1. Giving examples, briefly define the following:

a) Pest management	[1mark]
b) Molting	[1mark]
c) Metamorphosis	[1mark]
d) Rodent	[1mark]
e) Vector	[1mark]
2. List five signs and symptoms of Jigger manifestation in human beings.

[5marks]
3. Indicate under which taxonomic class the following arthropods fall.

[4marks]

a) Housefly	
b) Mites	
c) Mosquito	

- d) Sandfly
4. Outline six diseases that rodents play part as vehicles of transmission. [6marks]

SECTION TWO

1. a) Briefly describe how climate change has brought challenges in the control of vectors. [5marks]
- b) Using relevant examples, briefly explain the following biological control approaches of vectors and rodents. [15marks]
- i) Classical
- ii) Augmentation
- iii) Natural
2. a) Describe the major characteristics of rodents and how these (characteristics) can be used to control them. [10marks]
- b) State five main features that an ideal rodenticide should have. [5marks]
3. Describe THREE diseases that can be caused/transmitted by each of the following vectors and state ways in which they can be controlled. [15marks]
- a) Cockroach
- b) Tsetse fly
- c) Ticks
4. Malaria is one of the major vector-borne diseases that pose health challenges in Kenya. Discuss how “Integrated Vector Management (IVM) approach can be used to reduce the magnitude of this disease. [15marks]