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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN HISTORY

HIST 241: SOURCES OF AFRICAN HISTORY

STREAMS: B.A HIST (SOCI/ECON/) Y2S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 07/07/2021

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer question one and any other two.**
- **Do not write anything on the question paper.**

1. a) Describe the use of Paleontology as a source of prehistoric study. (8 marks)
b) Explain the contribution of archaeological anthropology to the understanding of Prehistory. (8 marks)
c) Examine various steps in archaeological investigation. (14 marks)
2. a) Elucidate use of Egyptology as a source of African history. (10 marks)
b) Discuss the use of African written sources of the 16th to 20th century in reconstructing African history. (10 marks)
3. a) Demonstrate how various relative and absolute archaeological dating are used to reconstruct history. (12 marks)
b) Evaluate the use of historical linguistics in the reconstruction of African history. (12 marks)

4. Examine critically the use of European documents in the 19th Century of African history. (20 marks)

5. a) Assess the usefulness of the Arabic sources in the reconstruction of African history. (10 marks)

b) Describe the steps of collecting oral data for a historical research. (10 marks)

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