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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF EDUCATION ARTS

LITT 102: INTRODUCTION TO ORAL LITERATURE (GENRES)

STREAMS: BED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: FRIDAY 07/12/2018

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer a total of three (3) questions. Question ONE is compulsory

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

“Oral literature in Africa is vast and many-sided” (Ngugi, 1968). Critically examine the validity of this scholarly assertion. [30 marks]

QUESTION 2

Citing examples, discuss the nature and function (s) of proverbs in African orality. [20 marks]

QUESTION 3

What is your response to the common belief that oral literature is an archaic, dying art form?

[20

marks]

QUESTION 4

Examine the strategies and techniques used in the classification of oral literature material.

[20

marks]

QUESTION 5

Discuss the ways in which oral poetry was practiced in Africa.

[20 marks]