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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

RELI 120: AFRICAN RELIGIONS

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) Y1S2

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 5/12/2018

11.30 A.M - 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer ALL Questions in Section A and any other TWO in Section B
- Do not write anything on the question paper

SECTION A

1. (a) Why does Prof. John Mbiti asserts that Africans are notoriously religious? [6 Marks]
(b) Explain the main challenges facing the study of African Religion today. [4 Marks]
(c) What are the main characteristics of African religions? [5 Marks]
2. “No one teaches an African child the Supreme Being”. Discuss. [15 Marks]

SECTION B

3. Discuss the role of the spirits in Africa and cite instances where these beliefs in spirits continue to influence the African people even with the coming of Christianity. [20 Marks]
 4. Explain the African act of worship through prayers and briefly show how it differs from the Christian prayer. Which kind of prayers do you think are more genuine between traditional African prayers and Christianity prayers? Give reasons. [20 Marks]
 5. Discuss the role and place of the following in the African societies. Show how they affect African individuals and societies to date.
 - (i) Witches and sorcerers
 - (ii) Rain makers. [20 Marks]
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