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THARAKA CAMPUS

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

LITT 102: INTRODUCTION TO ORAL LITERATURE

STREAMS: BED (ARTS) Y1S1 P/T

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 8/08/2019

11.30 A.M - 1.30 P.M.

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question ONE and any other TWO
- Do not write anything on the Question Paper.

1. (a) Evaluate the slipperiness of defining the term ‘oral literature’. [15 Marks]  
(b) There is no difference between written and oral literature”. Support this assertion with your own illustrations. [15 Marks]
  2. Discuss the major phases oral literature in Africa has undergone. [20 Marks]
  3. Citing examples, discuss the nature and functions of proverbs in African orality. [20 Marks]
  4. “Oral literature has no relevance in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, critically respond to this standpoint, either defending or opposing it. [20 Marks]
  5. Discuss the significance of oral poetry in any given African community. [20 Marks]
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