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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
THARAKA**

**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION  
(ARTS)**

**LITT 102: INTRODUCTION TO ORAL LITERATURE (GENRES)**

**STREAMS: Y1S1**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 4/12/2019**

**2.30 P.M – 4.30 P.M**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer question one and any other two questions**

1. (a) “Written literature is not superior to oral literature” React to this supposition with relevant illustrations. [15 marks]
  - (b) Evaluate the relevance of the short forms of oral literature. [15 marks]
  2. (a) Examine the reflection of the social, political and economic facets of any society in oral poetry. [20 marks]
  - OR
  - (b) Demonstrate the influence of political and structure on meaning n oral narratives with relevant illustrations. [20 marks]
  3. Critically evaluate the slipperliness of defining the term ‘oral literature’. [20 marks]
  4. Demonstrate how oral literature has continued undergoing change to remain relevant in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. [20 marks]
  5. Explain the major phases of oral literature in Africa. [20 marks]
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