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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

LITT 329: RESEARCH METHODS IN LITERATURE

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 17/04/2018

11.30 A.M – 1.30 P.M

INSTRUCTION:

- **Attempt three questions**
 - **Question one is compulsory**
1. Explain the relationship between research and societal ideology related to culture, politics and the economy. [10marks]
 - (b) Explain the significance of literature review in literary practice. [10marks]
 - (c) Outline the main components of the abstract of a literature research paper. [10marks]
 2. (a) Identify and explain four methods of data collection in literary research. [10marks]
 - (b) Discuss the various methods of sampling in literary research. [10marks]
 3. (a) Distinguish between research assumptions and research questions in literature research. Give examples of each. [5marks]
 - (b) Distinguish between the terms data and population as they apply in research in literature. [5marks]
 - (c) Explain qualitative and quantitative research in literature. [10marks]
 4. (a) Explain the relationship between objectives of the study and data analysis. [10marks]
 - (b) Prepare five objectives for different literary research topics. [10marks]

5. (a) Discuss the significance of theoretical choices in the process of literary data collection and data analysis. [10marks]
- (b) Prepare a standard framework of the research project you carried out during this course. Clearly show the various components of a research paper. [10marks]
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