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**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE
OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS**

RELI 230: INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLICAL STUDIES

STREAMS: BED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 15/04/2020

2.30 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

1. (a) Define the bible [5 marks]
(b) Why should we study the bible? [10 marks]
(c) Discuss the following ways of reading the bible
(i) Historical approach [5 marks]
(ii) Theological approach [5 marks]
(iii) Inspirational approach [5 marks]
2. Explain the characteristics of the following authors of the scripture:
(i) Priestly [5 marks]
(ii) Yahwestic [5 marks]
(iii) Prophetic [5 marks]
(iv) Apocalyptic [5 marks]
3. Discuss the process of formation of the Canon of the Bible:
(i) Old Testament [10 marks]
(ii) New Testament [10 marks]
4. Briefly illustrate the following Biblical Criticisms:
(i) Reduction criticism [5 marks]
(ii) Form Criticism [5 marks]

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- (iii) Literary Criticism [5 marks]
- (iv) Textual criticism [5 marks]
5. Evaluate the statement that the Old Testament is revealed in the New Testament [20 marks]
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