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

HIST 101: FOUNDATIONS OF HISTORY

STREAMS: B.A GENERAL (HIST/SOCI/ECON /KISW/RELI)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 16/12/2020

11.30 A.M. – 1.30 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.**

- Q1. (i) Briefly explain the conceptual definitions of history by the following historians:
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| (a) Herodotus | (2 marks) |
| (b) Edward H. Carr | (2 marks) |
| (c) W.H Walsh | (2 marks) |
| (d) Arthur Marwick | (2 marks) |
- (ii) Explain the change in the meaning of history from Greek times to the contemporary times. (10 marks)
- (iii) Discuss the nature and characteristics of historical knowledge. (12 marks)
- Q2. Critically examine the ideas of history according to R.G Collingwood. (20 marks)
- Q3. Analyze the main challenges, problems and prospects of studying the modern and contemporary history. (20 marks)
- Q4. (a) Discuss the significance of historical controversy. (10 marks)
- (b) Critically examine the interdisciplinary of history. (10 marks)

- Q5. (a) Assess the positivist and relativist debate on studying history. (10 marks)
- (b) Describe the main developments in African historiography. (10 marks)
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