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## KIBABII UNIVERSITY

#### UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

# 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

#### SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

#### FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

**COURSE CODE: LIT 406** 

**COURSE TITLE:** COMPARATIVE ORAL LITERATURE

DATE: 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2021 TIME: 2.00 - 4.00PM

#### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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# **QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)**

a) Distinguish between the two broad methods of studying orature.

(8 marks)

- b) With examples, give an overview of how theory enhances the study of orature. (8 marks)
- c) Discuss with illustrations the significance of features of oral tradition employed by artists of African descent. (14 marks)

## **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the various factors and features of African oral literature that have contributed to the resilience of African oral poetry.

## **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss the main principles and strengths of psychoanalysis in the study of oral literature.

### **QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Briefly explain Franz Boaz's deconstruction of the evolution method.

# **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Discuss with illustrations the oral features evident in Harlem renaissance poetry.