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## KIBABII UNIVERSITY

#### **UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS**

# 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

#### MAIN EXAMINATION

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

COURSE CODE: LIT 221

COURSE TITLE: AFRICAN DRAMA

DATE: 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2021

TIME: 2.00 - 4.00PM

#### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions. Do not duplicate illustrations.

TIME: 2 Hours

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

- a) Explain briefly any five unique aspects of African Drama (10 marks)
- b) How has Kiswahili aided the growth and expansion of Drama in East Africa? (10 marks)
- c) Critically analyze any five reasons that led to the flourishing of theatre in West Africa in the 1960's. (10 marks)

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

Discuss ANY FIVE distinctive features African thespians have deployed in their plays so as to make them characteristically African plays.

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

Discuss the appropriation and suitability of African folklore elements as dramatic techniques in Joe De Graft's *Muntu*.

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

Show how Ola Rotim's play *The Gods Are Not to Blame* employs the elements of tragedy from European drama.

## **QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Critically examine how African playwrights have brought out the theme of disillusionment in African drama. Illustrate your answer using *Betrayal in the City* by Francis Imbuga.

## **QUESTION SIX (20 MARKS)**

Examine the effects of Apartheid basing your answer on the play Blood Knot by Athol Fugard.

## **QUESTION SEVEN (20 MARKS)**

Critically examine the historical injustices that are portrayed in Ibrahim Hussein's play Kinjeketile.