

(Knowledge for Development)

KIBABII UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

FOR THE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION (ARTS)

COURSE CODE:

EDL 102

COURSE TITLE: POETRY APPRECIATION AND ANALYSIS

DATE:

25TH NOVEMBER, 2022

TIME: 2.00 - 4.00PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

This Paper Consists of 2 Printed Pages. Please Turn Over.

KIBU observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

QUESTION ONE - COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

i) What is poetry? (5 marks)

ii) With ample examples, explain why it is important to teach poetry in schools in Kenya.

(10 marks)

iii) Drawing examples from any poems studied on this course, give the meanings of the following:

Juxtaposition

(5 marks)

Tone

(5 marks)

Attitude

(5 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Read the following poem and answer the questions that follow:

The Guilt of Giving

You've seen that heap of rags

That pollutes the air-conditioned

City Centre

That louse that creeps about

In the clean core of sophistication;

You've seen him waylay his betters

And make them start -

Especially when they have no change.

You recall the day you came upon him.

And were startled by his silent presence

Intruding into your preoccupation:

You hurled a coin

Which missed the mark

And rolled into the gutter

Where he groped for it

With a chilling grotesque gratitude

That followed you down the street.

You dived into the nearest shop

To escape the stare

Of the scandalized crowd

That found you guilty

Of recalling attention

To the impenetrable patience

They had learnt not to see.

-Laban Erapu

a) Identify the persona in the poem? (5 marks)

b) Comment on the use of imagery in the poem. (4 marks)

c) Explain the meanings of the following lines as used in the poem: (6 marks)

- i. That louse that creeps about
- ii. ...impenetrable patience
 They had learnt not to see.
- d) Other than imagery, identify any other two features of style in the poem. (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Write a literary appreciation of the poem "I Refuse to Take your Brotherly Hand" by analyzing according to:

a) Themes.

(10 marks)

b) Poetic devices used

(10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Clearly explain in detail any four major characteristics that distinguish poetry from other genres of literature.

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

With close reference to any 2 poems studied on this course, discuss how the poets have used poetic devices to articulate the various societal concerns in the poems you have chosen.