



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

AUGUST SESSION EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION (ARTS)

ALT 0102- LITERATURE AND SOCIETY

DATE: SCHOOL BASED

TIME:

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## INSTRUCTIONS:

*Answer question one and any other two questions*

### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Discuss THREE characteristics of literature that differentiate it from other disciplines. (10 marks)
- b) Explain THREE roles of literature (10 marks)
- c) Using any one theory discussed discuss the influence of literature to society. (10 marks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Summarize the tenets of Marxism theory (10 marks)
- b) Use any relevant text to explain these tenets (10 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

“Gender roles have been used to deny women leadership and decision-making positions”. Using any one text, explain this statement.

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Differentiate the Formalist theory from Feminism theory and their influence to society.

### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Use any ONE text to explain the Formalist school of thought that theme is the most significant aspect of a text.