



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS

AGE 101: DEVELOPMENT OF GEOGRAPHIC THOUGHT

DATE: 12/8/2021

TIME: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

1.
 - a) Differentiate between environmental determinism and possibilism paradigms in development of geographical thought. (6 marks)
 - b) Briefly explain three areas that geographic studies concern with today. (6 marks)
 - c) Explain uniqueness of geography as a discipline (6 marks)
 - d) Discuss the main steps taken by greeks in development of geography during the topographical tradition (6 marks)
 - e) Explain how ideas expressed in the mathematical tradition influenced development of geographic thinking. (6 marks)
2.
 - a) Describe the development of geographic thinking under the following
 - i) Ancient world (5 marks)
 - ii) Middle ages (5 marks)
 - b) Renaissance period (10 marks)
3.
 - a) Describe the main ideas put forward by Ratzel in development of geographic Thinking. (10 marks)
 - b) State the role of geographic information systems in the study of geography (10 marks)

4. a) Explain stages in the development of quantitative study of geography. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss main contributions of Ritter to development of geographic knowledge
(10 marks)
5. a) Account for the main contributions of geography to Kenya's national
Development. (10 marks)
- b) Explain how modern technology as aided acquisition of geographic knowledge
(10 marks)