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KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR
FOURTH YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)
KLT 2309:EUROPEAN LITERATURE

Date: 14th December 2023
Time: 8:30am-10.30am

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- Highlight **five** characteristics of realism in literature. (10 Marks)
- Referring to Flaubert, Gustave, *Madam Bovary*, examine how characters reflect the concept of realism in their traits. (10 Marks)
- Analyze the significance of Blackpool's character in relation to his social contacts. (10 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- Examine the literary heritage of the European languages and Literature. (10 Marks)
- Distinguish between Ancient Literature and Mediaeval Literature. (10 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- Analyse the characteristics of Renaissance literature. (10 Marks)
- "The 20th Century literature features an interest in the unconscious and the irrational". Discuss this statement with reference to texts you have studied in this course. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- Illustrate the prevalent themes in *Hard Times* by Charles Dickens. (10 Marks)
- Examine William Shakespeare's portrayal of characters in his text *Othello*. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- Illustrate how the cultural experience and struggle are reflected in Flaubert, Gustave, *Madam Bovary*. (10 Marks)
- Highlight the importance of the spectacular and Ludi Romani theatre to the development of European literature. (10 Marks)