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**KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**  
**THIRD YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION**  
**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION(ARTS)**  
**KGE 2301: INTRODUCTION TO GEOGRAPHIC THOUGHT.**

Date: 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
Time: 2.30pm-4.30pm

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

*Sketch maps and diagrams should be used whenever they serve to illustrate an answer*

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS).**

- a) Enumerate the contributions of the following scholars to the development of geographic thought.
  - i) Herodotus. (3 marks)
  - ii) Eratosthenes. (3 marks)
- b) Differentiate between Geography as a discipline and Geography as a profession. (6 marks)
- c) Explain the origin and concerns of Geography. (5 marks)
- d) Write an essay on the circumference of Geography relating it with other disciplines. (6 marks)
- e) Explain the mathematical and astronomical tradition in the ancient Greek's development of Geography. (7 marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS).**

- a) Examine how geography contributes to Kenya's national economic development through the following areas:
  - i) Education. (4 marks)
  - ii) Employment. (4 marks)
  - iii) Agriculture. (4marks)
- b) Explain the contributions of the following explorers to the development of geographic:
  - i) Vasco da Gama. (4 marks)
  - ii) Christopher Columbus. (4 marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS).**

- a) Alexander Von Humboldt is regarded as the Father of modern Geography. Explain. (6 marks)
- b) Explain **three** important processes that led to the resurgence of European scholarship and Science from the 12<sup>th</sup> Century onwards. (6 marks)
- c) Explain the influence of Christianity in Europe to the development of geographical
  - i. Thought at the dawn of 17<sup>th</sup> Century. (5 marks)
  - ii. Explain the role of Anaximander to the development of Geography. (3 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR(20 MARKS)**

- a) Explain the term 'Dark Age' period in relation to the development of geographic thought (3 marks)
- b) Name any **two** Islamic geographers and describe their contributions to the geographic understanding. (8 marks)
- c) Examine the role of professional geographers in the education sector. (9 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Renaissance period was a season of great awakening in the development of geography. Discuss. (7 marks)
- b) Discuss the contributions of Ptolemy to the development of Geography. (5 marks)
- c) Compare and contrast the contributions of Bernhard Varenius and Immanuel Kant to the development of Geography (8 marks)