



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

..... SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN BACHELOR OF  
EDUCATION

**ALT 301: THEORY AND METHODS IN ORAL LITERATURE**

**Date:**

**Time:**

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**Answer Question One and any other two questions.**

1. a) Discuss the growth of theory in literary criticism. (20 marks)  
b) Examine the key tenets of any ONE theory in oral literary study. (10 marks)
2. Discuss the place of theory in critical appraisal of oral literary genres (20 marks)
3. Using a theory of your choice, discuss an oral narrative from your community. (20 marks)
4. What issues would you consider when collecting, collating and transcribing oral literature data in the field? (20 marks)
5. Explore the issues that arise in translating oral literary texts (20 marks)