



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

ALT 100: CRITICAL READING AND RESPONSE

Date:

Time:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One (Compulsory) and Any Other Two Questions

1. a) Using ample illustrations, explain the stages involved in critical reading and response. **(15 Marks)**
b) With examples, explicate the importance of literary criticism. **(15 Marks)**
2. Drawing your examples from John Ruganda's *The Burdens*, discuss character-oriented approaches to Literary Criticism. **(20 Marks)**
3. With examples from Francis Imbuga's *The Burning of Rags*, analyse how context plays a pivotal role in literary interpretations. **(20 Marks)**
4. Using a content oriented approach, analyse Margaret Ogola's *The River and the Source*. **(20 Marks)**
5. Ken Saro Wiwa's short-story "Africa Kills her Sun" is an interesting read. Using a reader-oriented approach, analyse the subject matter of the story. **(20 Marks)**

