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SPECIAL EXAMINATION FOR SECOND SEMESTER FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
EDUCATION AND BACHELOR OF ARTS

AGE 203: REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY OF EAST AFRICA

DATE..... TIME.....

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND OTHER TWO QUESTIONS, AT LEAST ONE QUESTION FROM EACH SECTION.

SECTION A: COMPULSORY

- 1 a). Assess the contributions of Arabs and Portuguese towards the development of East Africa (4mks)
b). Explain two factors that determine the soil types in East Africa. (6 Mks)
c). Using illustrations, demonstrate how Inter-Tropical Convergence Zone influence rainfall patterns in East Africa (8Mks)
d). Describe the distribution of any two rock types in East Africa and show how they are related to the surface relief in the region (6 Mks)
e). Assess three major problems facing urban growth in East African region (6 Mks)

SECTION B: PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- 2). Using illustrations, describe the physiographic regions of East African (20 Mks)
- 3 a). Discuss the factors that control vegetation distribution in East Africa (12Mks)
b). Describe two major vegetation types of East Africa (8Mks)

SECTION C: HUMAN ENVIRONMENT

4 a). Account for the spatial variation of population in East Africa (16 Mks)

b). Examine two threats to the development of tourism industry in East African region (4 Mks)

5 a). Evaluate the role of Government in improving pastoralism in East African Communities (8 Mks)

b). Assess the role of agriculture in improving the economy of East African Countries (12 Mks)