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FIRST YEAR SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS FOR
BACHELORS OF ARTS AND BACHELORS OF EDUCATION ARTS

AHT 102: INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE

DATE: 10/3/2023

TIME: 8.30 – 10.30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS

QUESTION ONE IS COMPULSORY AND ANSWER ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) What is politics and how do we study it (10 marks)
- b) Which system of government was considered the best by Aristotle and why? (10 marks)
- c) Identify and explain the fundamental pillars of the Marxist theories of the state (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Distinguish between various arms of government and their functions (20 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

In relation to Kenya, critically evaluate the statement that ‘ethnicity is the bane of Africa’.
(20 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Devolution that was introduced in Kenya in 2013 has had more challenges than benefits’.
Discuss. (20 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

‘Corruption remains one of the major challenges to good governance in Kenya’. Discuss.
(20 marks)