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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS) & BACHELOR OF ARTS.

AHT 202 EARLY AFRICAN ARCHAEOLOGY

Date:

Time:

INSTRUCTIONS.

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

1. (a). Define the following terms as they relate to the study of Early African archaeology.(6mks).
 - (i). Stratigraphy
 - (ii). The principle of horizontal originality
 - (iii). The principle of faunal succession.
- (b). Examine any THREE theories that explain the origin of bipedalism. (12mks).
- (c).Examine reasons why East Africa is important in the study of early hominids.(12mks
2. Examine the similarities and distinguishing features of the Acheulian and Oldowan technologies..(20.mks
- 3.Explain the culture of early man during the upper palaeolithic .(20mks).
4. Evaluate the following terms as they relate to palaeoenvironmental reconstruction in early African archaeology:
 - (i). Palynology (8mks).
 - (ii). Dendrochronology (6mks)
 - (iii). Macroscopic plant remains. (6mks).
5. Discuss the characteristics of the palaeocene and the Pliocene periods. (20 mks.).