



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2016/2017

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

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AHT 101: PRINCIPLES OF ARCHAEOLOGY

DATE: 31/5/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

1.
 - a) Define the following concepts;
 - i. Archaeology (2 marks)
 - ii. Archaeological site (2 marks)
 - iii. Artifact (2 marks)
 - iv. Fossil (2 marks)
 - v. Chronology (2 marks)
 - b) Identify and briefly explain **FIVE** categories of archaeological sites (10 marks)
 - c) Using examples, examine ways of identifying, locating and surveying archaeological sites (10 marks)
2. Trace the evolution and development of Archaeology up to 1900 by emphasizing the following;
 - a) Antiquarianism (5 marks)
 - b) Catastrophism (5 marks)
 - c) Uniformitarianism (5 marks)
 - d) Evolution theory (5 marks)

3. Analyze Carbon14 and Potassium 40/Argon dating methods specifying their estimated time ranges, weaknesses and strengths (20 marks)
4.
 - a) What is an archaeological theory (2 marks)
 - b) Examine the goals of studying archaeology (9 marks)
 - c) Examine the following theories of archaeology
 - i. The Three Age Theory (3 marks)
 - ii. Evolutionism (3 marks)
 - iii. Functionalism (3 marks)
5. Identify and briefly discuss **ANY FIVE** disciplines which are relevant in archaeological reconstruction (20 marks)