

## **GARISSA UNIVERSITY**

# UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR **TWO SECOND** SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)

**COURSE CODE: LIT 220** 

**COURSE TITLE: EAST AFRICAN FICTION** 

**EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS** 

DATE: 13/04/17 TIME: 09.00-12.00 PM

#### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- The examination has SIX (6) questions
- Question ONE (1) is COMPULSORY
- Choose any other THREE (3) questions from the remaining FIVE (5) questions
- Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary
- Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room
- Do not write on this paper

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## **QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)**

Discuss the thematic preoccupations of pioneer East African prose writers. Give examples to support your response. [25 marks]

## **QUESTION TWO**

In what ways can we say that Meja Mwangi's *The Cockroach Dance* is an urban novel [15 marks]

## **QUESTION THREE**

Identify and discuss any three themes in Ben Mtobwa's *Dar es Salaam by Night*. [15 marks]

## **QUESTION FOUR**

Discuss the character of Ben Broker in Meja Mwangi's *The Last Plague*. [15 marks]

## **QUESTION FIVE**

How does Karen Blixen portray the African situation in *Out of Africa*? [15 marks]

## **QUESTION SIX**

How appropriate is Peter Nazareth's *The General is Up* as an indictment of African dictatorship?

[15 marks]