



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

**REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES SOCIAL SCIENCES
& CREATIVE INDUSTRIES
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS/BACHELOR
OF ARTS IN LITERATURE, CULTURE AND FILM**

**COURSE CODE: LIT 1106-1
COURSE TITLE: AFRICAN ORAL LITERATURE AND
ECOLOGY**

DATE: 7TH DECEMBER, 2022

TIME: 1430-1630

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- **Question One is Compulsory**
- **Answer Any Other TWO**

This paper consists of 2 printed pages. Please turn over.

1. Discuss the relationship between African oral literature, genre, and ecology.
(20 Marks)

2. Use any 5 riddles from an oral tradition you are familiar with to examine the relationship between oral literature, metaphor and environmental consciousness.
(15Marks)

3. Critically evaluate the environmental education in the following proverbs:
 - (a) During a storm you seek shelter under a tree and not in the clouds
(5 Marks)
 - (b)He is a fool who praises the fruit of a tree and forgets its roots **(5 Marks)**
 - (c) Monkeys don't advise their young ones to be careful on trees they just remind them of the distance to the ground **(5 Marks)**

4. Discuss any three characteristics of oral literature in the contemporary age.
(15 Marks)

5. Compare the representation of gender in traditional oral literary performances and the contemporary times
(15 Marks)

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