



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2022/2023

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ARTS)
BACHELOR OF ARTS

ALT 100: CRITICAL READING AND RESPONSE

DATE:21/12/2022

TIME:8.30 – 10.30A.M

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question One and any other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (30MARKS)

- a) Using ample illustrations, explain the stages involved in critical reading and response. (15 marks)
- b) With examples, explicate the importance of literary criticism. (15 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

Drawing your examples from John Ruganda's *The Burdens*, discuss character-oriented approaches to Literary Criticism.

QUESTION THREE (20MARKS)

With examples from Francis Imbuga's *The Burning of Rags*, analyse how context plays a pivotal role in literary interpretations.

QUESTION FOUR (20MARKS)

Using a content-oriented approach, analyse Margaret Ogola's *The River and the Source*.

QUESTION FIVE (20MARKS)

Ken Saro Wiwa's short-story "Africa Kills her Sun" is an interesting read. Using a reader-oriented approach, analyse the subject matter of the story.