



FINAL EXAMINATIONS

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

KITENGELA CAMPUS

FIRST SEMESTER, 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

**EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN
EDUCATION**

LIT 1113: CRITICAL READING AND RESPONSE 1

STREAM: BEDU

TIME: 2 HOURS

EXAMINATION SESSION: DECEMBER

YEAR: 2025

DAY

DATE:

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Attempt ALL the questions in **Section A**
 2. Attempt any **Two** questions in **Section B**
 3. The entire exam is worth forty(40) marks.
 4. Write **ONLY** on the space provided on the answer sheet or as otherwise instructed.
 5. Where necessary Show your working clearly.
 6. Do **NOT** attempt to access any library, online (audio, video, digital or electronic) or paper-based (written), sources for your answers unless this is clearly advised in the Question.
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QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)-COMPULSORY

- a) Using three examples, illustrate three key components of critical reading and response. **(6 marks)**
- b) Using three examples, evaluate the role of critical reading and response in the academic journey of a student of literature. **(9marks)**
- c) Asses two features of the psychoanalytic theory of literary criticism. **(5 marks)**

SECTION B: CHOOSE TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION TWO

- a) Analyse two features of the reader response theory. **(5 marks)**
- b) Using the reader response theory, examine one literary work of art covered in this course **(5 marks)**

QUESTION THREE

- a) Analyze five methods of interpretation in Critical Reading. **(5 marks)**
- b) Asses five character archetypes as explored in archetypal criticism. **(5 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Francis Imbuga's play, *Aminata* speaks to the women folk in African and the world at large. Evaluate the truth in this statement. **(5 marks)**
- b) Evaluate two features of feminism as brought out in Francis Imbuga's play *Aminata*. **(5marks)**

Question Five

- a) A reader can engage with a literary work of art in diverse ways. Using five examples, defend this statement. **(5 marks)**
- b) Examine the key components of a plot. **(5 marks)**