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## University Examinations 2022/2023

### THIRD YEAR SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

#### ELI 3351: THEATRE ARTS

DATE: AUGUST 2023

TIME: 2 HOURS

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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

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#### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) What makes drama different from theatre arts (2 marks)
- b) Briefly explain six elements of dramatic structure as identified by Aristotle (6 marks)
- c) What is the relationship between a play's interpretation and major character spine (4 marks)
- d) Outline the three types of theatre stages (3 marks)
- e) List the three categories of art (3 marks)
- f) Outline at least seven purposes that theatre serves to society (7 marks)

#### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

Using an appropriate theory, critique the role of popular theatre on the Kenyan television

(20 marks)

#### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

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Discuss the major tasks of a theatre producer (20 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

Critically examine the dynamics and challenges of theatre in media contexts (20 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Demonstrate the technical complexities that either aid or hamper the development of community theatre (20 marks)