



**JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND
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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE IN SCIENCE IN
RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT**

THIRD YEAR RESIT EXAMINATIONS 2020/21 ACADEMIC YEAR

CENTRE: MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: TET 3321

COURSE TITLE: Petroleum Technology

EXAM VENUE:

STREAM: BSc REN TECH & MGT

DATE: ../11/2020 EXAM

SESSION:

DURATION: 2 HOURS

Instructions

- 1. Answer question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other two questions**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on question paper**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room**

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSARY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the term petroleum reservoir engineering (1 marks)
- b) Differentiate between;-
 - i. Total porosity and effective porosity (2 marks)
 - ii. Primary recovery and secondary recovery (4 marks)
- c) Using relevant illustrations, describe the formation of petroleum (8 marks)
- d) Discuss the six branches of petroleum engineering. (12 marks)
- e) State and briefly explain any three types of well casing. (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Briefly describe the two essential characteristics that a geological formation must exhibit in order to form a commercial reservoir of hydrocarbons. (4 Marks)
- b) A sandstone core sample is cleanly cut and carefully measured in a laboratory. The cylindrical core has a length of 3 cm. and a diameter of 0.75 cm. The core is dried and weighed. The dried core weighs 125 g. The core is then saturated with freshwater. The water-saturated core weighs 127.95 g. Determine the porosity of the sandstone core. Neglect the weight of air in the dried core and assume the density of water is 1 g/cc. (4 Marks)
- c) Discuss the six branches of petroleum engineering. (12 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the term “directional drilling” as used in rotary drilling. (2 Marks)
- b) List any two types of floating marine drilling rigs. (2 Marks)
- c) Describe the circulating system in rotary drilling and state any three main objectives of this system. (8 Marks)
- d) Describe the drilling procedure (4 Marks)
- e) List and briefly describe any four drilling problems that maybe encountered during rotary drilling. (4 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe any four natural drive mechanisms used to transport hydrocarbons towards and out of the production wells. (8 Marks)
- b) Define thermal enhance oil recovery and give the three common techniques used in this method. (4 Marks)
- c) Discuss the advantages and disadvantages associated with transportation of oil and gas via pipelines. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss at least five key environmental impacts that occur during production of crude oil and natural gas. (20 Marks)