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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER 2012

TITLE OF PAPER: AFRICAN TRADITIONAL RELIGIONS I

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TIME ALLOWED: THREE (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: (1) ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS
(2) ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

TOTAL MARKS:60

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1. Discuss the rationale for the study of African Religions in institutions of higher learning in Africa.
2. Write critical notes on the following terms that are still used by some writers to define African indigenous religions: animism, primal, superstition, and devil worship.
3. Can one speak of **"the structure of African traditional religions"**? Give reasons and examples to support of your facts.
4. Are there any distinctive features of African world views? Provide examples to illustrate your views.
5. Write a critique of current academic approaches to the study of religion. Which approach do you prefer and what are its merits?
6. Would you agree with Jacob Olupona that African indigenous religions are resilient and adaptable? Give reasons and examples to illustrate your views.