



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES
FACULTY OF ARTS
2020_2 EXAMINATIONS

Programme: B.A Christian Religious Studies
Course Code: CRS 491 **3 Credit Units**
Course Title: African Traditional Religion and Culture
Time Allowed: 2 hrs.
Instruction: Answer Question one (30 Marks) and any other two (20 Marks each)

1(a) Why is African Traditional Religion called “Traditional” and “African”?

(15 Marks, 30 Minutes)

(b) Analyze the implications for lack of communication between God and man.

(15 Marks, 30 Minutes)

2(a) Outline the five types of symbols in African Traditional Religion and explain them.

(10 Marks, 15 Minutes)

(b) Justify the claim that the study of African Traditional Religion and culture has future prospects.

(10 Marks, 15 Minutes)

3(a) Comment briefly on the followings:

(i) Belief on in Ancestors

(ii) Belief in Divinities

(iii) Basic components of culture

(iv) Taboos and Prohibitions

(10 marks, 15 minutes)

(b) Assess the importance of sacred commands in African Traditional Society

(10 marks, 15 minutes)

4(a) Identify the historical reasons that created problems for the study of African Traditional Religion and Culture

(10 marks, 15 minutes)

(b) Examine the theory of Animism in African Traditional Religion and Culture

(10 marks, 15 minutes)

5(a) Explain the two ways God controls and maintains the world.

(10 marks, 15 minutes)

(b) Differentiate between the rites of passage and life crises rituals

(10 marks, 15 minutes)