

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF THE DIPLOMA IN JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATION (Y1 S2)

DJM 0109: NEWSPAPER REPORTING

Answer Question One and Any Other 2 Questions

Question One

- a) Define the following terms in Newspaper Reporting
 - i) Newspaper (2mks)
 - ii) Beat reporter (2mks)
 - iii) Informant (2mks)
 - iv) Op-Ed page (2mks)
 - v) Inverted Pyramid (2mks)
- b) State any **FOUR** sources of news for Newspaper (4mks)
- c) Explain **FIVE** major attributes you need to possess as a reporter (10mks)
- d) Explain **THREE** major elements that must reveal themselves in any news story (6mks)

Question Two

- a) Keeping contacts is key for a reporter to maintain flow of stories. Explain tips on how to keep your contacts (8mks)
- b) Using *The Daily Nation* Newspaper as an example, describe the structure of a newspaper (12mks)

Question Three

- a) What are the roles of a newspaper reporter? (6mks)
- b) Explain **THREE** types of attribution a reporter may use (6mks)
- b) Describe **FOUR** ways of how investigative stories are written (8mks)

Question Four

- a) Explain **FOUR** advantages of using the Inverted Style of Writing in news (8mks)
- b) Imagine you are a beat reporter for a court. Create a sample story not exceeding 300 words that could be published in a National Newspaper (12mks)

Question Five

- a) Explain **FIVE** reasons why a newspaper reporter may use direct quotes in a newspaper (10mks)
- b) Elaborate on why it is important to protect news sources (10mks)