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FIRST YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DIPLOMA IN ANIMAL
HEALTH AND PRODUCTION

AAE 2100: ECOLOGY, ENVIRONMENTAL PHYSIOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT

DATE: DECEMBER 2024

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer Question ONE, and any other TWO

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms:
 - i. Species (2 Marks)
 - ii. Energy pyramid (2 Marks)
- b) Given the following organisms, draw a food chain: Hare, Eagle, Grass, Hyena (1 Marks)
- c) Explain the importance of carrying out environmental audit (5 Marks)
- d) Soil ecosystem plays important role in dairy cattle production. Explain (4 Marks)
- e) Explain measures taken by Kenyan government to conserve natural resources (4 Marks)
- f) Explain 3 international efforts to mitigate climate change (3 Marks)
- g) Explain the effects of migratory insects in the ecosystem (6 Marks)
- h) Explain the factors that can influence successful mating of male dogs. (3 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS)

- a) Explain the effects of forest fires to the forest ecosystems (8 Marks)
- b) Draw a water cycle (7 marks)



QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)

- a) Explain how temperatures affects livestock production (7 Marks)
- b) With help of a diagram, explain ecosystem (8 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)

- a) Explain effects of climate change on life of wildlife (10 Marks)
- b) Explain the importance of plants to animals life (5 Marks)

