



# TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

*Faculty of Business & Social Studies*

DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA & GRAPHIC DESIGN

DIPLOMA IN MASS COMMUNICATION

(DMP/R 3)

**BMC 2213: FEATURE WRITING**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**SERIES:** DECEMBER 2013

**TIME:** 2 HOURS

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- This paper consists of **TWO** Sections **A** & **B**.
- Section **A** is **Compulsory**.
- Answer any other **Four** questions in Section **B**.

***This paper consists of Three printed pages.***

## SECTION A (Compulsory)

### QUESTION 1

- a) Define a feature' (2 marks)
- b) Explain FIVE differences between Hard News and Soft news. (5 marks)
- c) i) State FIVE sources of feature ideas. (5marks)  
ii) Explain THREE elements contained in the acronym AHIT. (3marks)
- d) i) `Write a 300 words feature on (i) TUM celebrates Cultural WEEK IN Style`. (5marks)  
ii) `Farewell for Mandela. (5marks)`  
iii) Kenya celebrates 50 years`. (5marks)

## SECTION B (Attempt any FOUR questions)

### QUESTION 2

Describe the following leads and also give a relevant example for each.

- i) The Scenario lead (5marks)
- ii) Shock lead
- iii) Blind lead (5marks)
- iv) Anecdote lead (5marks)
- v) Summary lead (5marks)

### QUESTION 3

Discuss the corocess of freelancing (20marks)

### ION 4

You have been assigned to do a feature story on the collapse of a building in Mombasa which has killed 30 people.

- a) Explain how you would approach this story. (10 marks)

b) List **FIVE** sources of information you would seek.

**(10 marks)**

### **QUESTION 5**

Discuss the following types features:

- a) Personality profile
- b) Adventure
- c) Explorative
- d) Descriptive
- e) Historical