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# EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

**LITT 222/212: THEORY OF LITERATURE** 

STREAMS: B.ED ARTS TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: WEDNESDAY 11/08/2021 8.30 A.M – 10.30 A.M.

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer three questions only.
- Question 1 is compulsory.
- 1) Referring to any two texts studied in this course, discuss the nature and function of theory in literature. (30 marks)
- 2) Present a feminist interpretation of either Francis Imbuga's *Aminata* or Witi Ihimeara's *Whale Rider*. (20 marks)
- 3) Asses Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* on the basis of concepts drawn from psychoanalysis. (20 marks)
- 4) Examine what makes either Ngugi wa Thiongo's *The River Between* or Peter Abraham's *Mine Boy* qualify as post colonial texts. (20 marks)
- 5) What are the tenets of Marxism? Give illustrations from any one text studied in this course. (20 marks)