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# EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION

LITT 0211: INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY THEORY AND TECHNIQUE

STREAMS: DIP (EDUC) S.B TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: THURSDAY 09/08/2018 2.30 PM – 4.30 PM

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

### **Answer Question One and any other Two**

- 1. (a) Distinguish between literary theory and literary criticism. [6 marks]
  - (b) What is the significance of literary theory in studying literature? [4 marks]
  - (c) Using psychoanalytic theory, show how a writers childhood experience influence his/her writer. Give relevant examples using texts covered in this unit.

    [10 marks]
- 2. How does Marxism influence the writing of Bertolt Bertch's <u>The Caucasian Chalk Circle</u> or Ngugi wa Thiong'o's <u>I Will Marry When I Want</u>. [20 marks]
- 3. Using feminism theory analyse either Alice Walkers' <u>The Colour Purple</u>, or Marjorie Oludhe Maigoge's <u>Coming to Birth</u>. [20 marks]
- 4. Using any text covered in this unit, show how postcolonial theory influences a text. [20 marks]
- 5. Which are the tenets of formalism theory and how do they influence the works of independent African writers? [20 marks]

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