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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION IN LITERATURE

LITT 801: AFRICAN LITERATURE: THEORY AND PRACTICE

STREAMS: MSC (LITERATURE)

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 4/12/2018

8.30 A.M - 11.30 A.M.

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer any **THREE** questions

1. Discuss the meaning of ideology in the context of Marxist literary theory. Illustrate using any African novel of your choice. (20 marks)
  2. Expound on the tenets of feminist literary theory in relation to Mariama Ba's *So Long a Letter* or any other feminist text of your choice (20 marks)
  3. Identify and discuss the use of pejorative images in Ayi Kwei Armah's *The Beautiful Ones are Not Yet Born*. (20 marks)
  4. What are the postcolonial realities mediated in Chinua Achebe's *Anthills of the Savannah*? (20 marks)
  5. With reference to any African novel you are familiar with, show how new-historicists go about their literary enterprise. (20 marks)
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