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UNIVERSITY

SUPPLEMENTARY / SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS

**FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR OF
LITT 103 LITERARY LANGUAGE AND SCHOLARLY PRESENTATION**

STREAMS:

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE : MONDAY 16/11/2020

8.30 A.M - 10.30 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer Question One and Any Other Two

1(a) Discuss the functions of literature in reference to literary texts you have studied in this unit
(20marks)

(b) Attempt a Critical analysis of any short story of your choice focusing on the Key Elements.
(20marks)

2. Write an essay outlining your understanding of characterization in literature. You can use any relevant texts for references
(20marks)

3. Attempt a critical essay linking style and plot in literature. Use any relevant texts studied in this unit.
(20marks)

4. Discuss the major strategies you can use to develop good ideas of writing an essay. (20marks)

5. Attempt a Critical Analysis of the given Poem
(20marks)

MONANGAMBA

On that big estate there is no rain

It's the sweat of my brow that waters the crops

On that big estate there is coffee ripe
And that cherry – redness
Is drops of my blood turned sap.

The coffee will be roasted,
Ground, and crushed,
Will turn black, black with the colours of
The contract labourer

Black with the colour of the contract labourer

Ask the birds that sing,
The streams in carefree wandering
And the high wind from inland

Who gets up early? Who goes to toil?
Who is it that carries on the long rod
The hammock or the bunch of kernels?
Rotten maize, rotten fish,
Ragged clothes, fifty shillings
Beating for biting back?

Who?

Who makes the millet grow
And the orange groves to flower?
Who?

Who gives the money for the boss to buy

Cars, machinery, women

And Negro heads for motors?

And the birds that sing,

The streams in carefree wandering

And the high wind from inland

Will answer

Mongambeeee...

Ah! Let me at least climb the palm trees

Let me drink wine, palm wine

And fuddle by my drunkenness forget.

Mongambeeee...
