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EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGRE OF MASTERS OF ARTS IN LITERATURE

LITT 805: FORMS OF FICTION: NOVELS, DRAMA AND POETRY

STREAMS: MA (LITT) YISI P/T

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY/DATE: TUESDAY 14/04/2020

8.30 AM - 11.30 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer Question One and any other Two Questions
- Do not write on the question paper
- 1. Modern Drama has been attributed to the classical Greek tradition under Aristotle. Assess this development examining the key genres of comedy, Tragedy and Tragicomedy. [20 marks]
- 2. The African writer has had the burden of giving back to Africa what it lost during colonialism. Critically assess how Chinua Achebe in <u>Things Fall Apart</u> or any other writer has effectively used the novel for this critical function. [20 marks]
- 3. Christopher Caudwell defined poetry as a heightened form of ordinary speech as it utilizes all varieties of language. Validate Caudwell's assertion critically analyzing how poets use language as an art. [20 marks]
- 4. Poetry as a genre can be further classified into different forms illustrating its uniqueness. Discuss the different types. [20 marks]
- 5. Critically assess how any African playwright has appropriated the key elements of drama. [20 marks]