

## JARAMOGI OGINGA ODINGA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## SCHOOL OF EDUCATION HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS 4<sup>TH</sup> YEAR 1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR RESIT/SPECIAL

COURSE CODE: ALI 102

COURSE TITLE: LITERARY APPRECIATION

**EXAM VENUE:** STREAM: (BED ARTS)

DATE: EXAM SESSION:

TIME: 2.00 HOURS

## **Instructions:**

- 1. Answer questions ONE and ANY other two.
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.

- 1. a) Briefly demonstrate your understanding of these terms as used in literature. (10 Marks)
  - i) Literary criticism
  - ii) Literary theory
- b) Attempt a critical analysis of the following poem by William Wordsworth. (20 Marks)

## I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud

I wandered lonely as a cloud That floats on high o'er vales and hills, When all at once I saw a crowd, A host, of golden daffodils; Beside the lake, beneath the trees, Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced; but they Outdid the sparkling waves in glee; A poet could not but be gay, In such a jocund company; I gazed—and gazed—but little thought What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.

- 2. With reference to at least two short stories of your choice, discuss characterization in the genre as distinct. (20 Marks)
- 3. Using any approach to literary criticism, carry out an appraisal of Ngugi's *Weep Not Child* or Achebe's *Things Fall Apart*. (20 Marks)
- 4. *Song of Lawino* is a critique of cultural conflicts marking post-independence Africa. Examine this claim with adequate illustrations from the poem. (20 Marks)
- 5. Critically examine Soyinka's use of contrast in *The Lion and the Jewel*. (20 Marks)

Discuss how plot has been deployed to realize and foreground the theme of fate in Sophocle's *Oedipus Rex.* (20 Mks)