

MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2019/2020 Academic Year SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

ALT0102: LITERATURE AND SOCIETY

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS- January - 2021

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTIONS ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO.

- 1 a) Explain THREE characteristics of literature that distinguish it from other disciplines. (9 marks)
 - b) Discuss FOUR roles of literature and give examples of each

(12 marks)

- c) Discuss the influence of literature to society using any one theory discussed in this course. (9 marks)
- 2a.) Using any TWO texts discuss the tenets of Marxism and their relevance to Literature and Society today. (20 marks)
- 3. According to Feminism, gender roles have been used to deny women leadership and decision-making positions. Using any one text, explain this statement in the light of society today. (20marks)
- 4. Differentiate the Formalist theory from Feminism theory and their influence to society. (20marks)
- 5. Discuss the importance of this course "Literature & Society" to you as a Literature Scholar (20marks)