



# **MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

**University Examinations for 2020/2021 Academic Year**

**SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES**

**SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMS-DIPLOMA**

**ALT 0102- LITERATURE AND SOCIETY**

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO.

- 1 a) Discuss FOUR characteristics of literature that distinguish it from other disciplines. (10marks)
- b) Explain FIVE roles of literature and give examples of each (10 marks)
- c) Discuss the influence of literature to society using any one theory discussed in this course. (10marks)
  
- 2 a. Summarize the tenets of Marxism (10marks)
- b. Use any text to explain these tenets (10marks)
  
3. According to Feminism, gender roles have been used to deny women leadership and decision making positions. Using any one text, explain this statement. (20marks)
  
4. Differentiate the Formalist theory from Feminism theory and their influence to society. (20marks)
  
5. Use any two texts to explain the Formalist school of thought that theme is the most significant aspect of a text. (20marks)