



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2019/2020

SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND LANGUAGES

ALT0102 : LITERATURE AND SOCIETY

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

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)