



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
Faculty of Arts
Department of Languages
2020_1 EXAMINATIONS

COURSE CODE: ENG313
COURSE TITLE: BLACK DIASPORA LITERATURE – AFRICAN AMERICAN
CREDIT UNITS: TWO
TIME ALLOWED: 1^{1/2}HOURS

INSTRUCTION: Answer **Two** Questions out of the three

1. With close reference to Alex Harley's *The Autobiography of Malcolm X* and Alice Walker's *The Color Purple*, answer the following questions:
 - a). What qualities mark a work out as African American literature? (25 marks)
 - b). Who is an African American writer? (10 marks)

(35 marks/45 minutes)
2. (a) In which century did African American Literature commence? (5 marks)
(b) Identify, with two examples each, **six** categories of African American literature, starting from its inception to the present (30 marks)

(35 marks/45 minutes)
2. "The spirituals contributed immensely to the development of African American literature'. Discuss with close reference to two Negro Spirituals studied in the course.

(35 marks/45 minutes)