



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

COURSE CODE: ENG423
COURSE TITLE: LITERATURE OF THE ROMANTIC PERIOD
CREDIT UNITS: 2
TIME ALLOWED: 1^{1/2} HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

1. a) Critically analyse John Keats' 'Ode to a Grecian Urn.' (17.5 marks)
b) Highlight the reasons for the emergence of Romanticism. (17.5 marks)
(35 marks/45 minutes)
2. a) Explain how William Wordsworth idealise nature in 'The Tables Turned' and 'Lines Written in Early Spring' (17.5 marks)
b) Using the poem, 'The Solitary Reaper', describe how English Romantic poets celebrate the commonplace in their poetry. (17.5 marks)
(35 marks/45 minutes)
3. a) Write briefly on the immediate pre-Romantic era and the immediate post-Romantic era periods. (17.5 marks)
b) Critically analyse 'There was a Boy' by William Wordsworth as a poem that depicts admirable lifestyle in spite of being cut short in his prime (17.5 marks)
(35 marks/45 minutes)