



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE
SEPTEMBER 2020_1 EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE: POL 424

COURSE TITLE: POLITICAL PARTIES AND PRESSURE GROUPS

CREDIT UNIT : 3

TIME ALLOWED : 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION : ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

- 1) a. Define Political Party? **(2.5marks)**
b. Identify and explain some of the distinguishing features of a Political Party? **(15marks)**
- 2) a. List and explain the two (2) types of Political Parties? **(7.5marks)**
b. With concrete examples, relate them to Political Parties in Nigeria? **(10marks)**
- 3) Examine and explain the similarities in organisational structures of Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) and All Progressives Congress (APC)? **(17.5marks)**
- 4) a. What is Ideology? **(2.5marks)**
b. Identify and explain the roles of Ideology in sustaining the existence of Political Party? **(15marks)**
- 5) a. Define Single-Party System? **(2.5marks)**
b. Outline some features of Single-Party System and the countries that practice it? **(15marks)**
- 6) a. Define Pressure Groups **(7.5 marks)**
b. Explain the types of Pressure groups in existence and in operation in Nigeria. **(10 marks)**