



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**

**Faculty of Arts**

**Department of Languages**

**2021\_2 EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE:** ENG 862

**TITLE:** COMPARATIVE STUDIES IN DRAMA

**TIME ALLOWED:** Three hours

**INSTRUCTION:** Answer **four** questions in all.

**CREDIT UNITS:** 3

1. Discuss drama in its primitive period, taking into account drama in Egypt, Greece and in Rome.

**(45mins; 17.5 marks)**

2. Explain factors responsible for the birth of Realism and its effects on dramatic studies.

**(45mins; 17.5 marks)**

3. Mention and discuss Aristotle's theory of drama, bringing out features of Aristotelian tragedy.

**(45mins; 17.5 marks)**

4. Explore traditional drama, its emergence, theories and functionality in the aesthetic appreciation of African Drama.

**(45mins; 17.5 marks)**

5. Briefly discuss any three of the following types of comedy

- i. Romantic Comedy
- ii. Comedy of Humours
- iii. Satirical Comedy
- iv. Comedy of Manners

**(45mins; 17.5 marks)**