



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA **Faculty of Arts Department of Languages** 2022_2 EXAMINATION

ENG417 COURSE CODE:

COURSE TITLE: POSTCOLONIAL **AFRICAN LITERATURE**

CREDIT UNITS:

TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS. 1 mark will be awarded for clarity of expression

- 1. a) In what two ways does postcolonial literature write back against colonialism and neocolonialism? (3 marks)
 - b) Lois Tyson (2006) holds that as a domain within literary studies, postcolonial criticism is both a subject matter and a theoretical framework. Discuss (20 marks) (23 marks/40 minutes)
- 2. In Achebe's critique of Conrad's *Heart of Darkness*, he raised many issues to support his stance that the novel is racist. Identify **five** of these issues and elaborate on them. (23 marks/40 minutes)
- 3. Cary's presentation of Africans in the novel, *Mister Johnson*, is questionable at best and racist at worst. Clarify this thought better by exploring five of the ways in which the author's views are stereotypically racist. (23 marks/40 minutes)
- 4. Discuss **four** ways in which Achebe's *Things Fall Apart* is a post-colonial novel (23 marks/40 minutes)