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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2017

COURSE TITLE: CRITICAL THINKING AND ARGUMENT

COURSE CODE: ENG 114

TIME ALLOWED: **TWO** HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer **TWO** questions, one from each section.
2. Each question carries 30 marks.
3. Do not repeat or write about the same text at length more than once.
4. Correct use of English and literary conventions will be taken into account.

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INVIGILATOR.

1. What is the significance of the message in the epitaph that Sazan asks Zole to erect in "Africa Kills her Sun"? [30]
2. In "Third Party Insurance" the playwright pokes fun at both Jacob and Willy. How does he do that? (30)
3. How is colonialism characterised in the first three stanzas of Neto's poem, "The Grieved Lands of Africa"? (15)
 - (a) What does line 13 mean? (5)
 - (b) What is the tone and mood of the poem? [10]

The grieved lands of Africa

In the tearful woes of ancient and modern slave

In the degrading sweat of impure dance

of other seas

grieved

The grieved lands of Africa

In the infamous sensation of the stunning perfume of the

Flower

Crushed in the forest

by wickedness of iron and fire

the grieved lands

The grieved lands of Africa

in the dream soon undone in the jinglings of gaolers' keys

and in the stifled laughter and victorious voice of laments

and in the unconscious brilliance hidden sensations

of the grieved lands of Africa

Alive

In themselves and with u alive

The bubble up dreams

Decked dances by baobabs over balances

By the antelope

In the perpetual alliance of everything of everything that lives

They shout out the sound of life

shout it

even the corpses thrown up by the Atlantic

in putrid offering of incoherence and death

and in the clearness of rivers.

The live

The grieved lands of Africa

in the harmonious sound of consciences

contained in the honest blood of men

in the sincerity of men

in the pure and simple rightness of the stars' existence

They live

the grieved lands of Africa

because we are living

and are imperishable particles

of the grieved lands of Africa.

4. Write an essay to present an argument for and against Mr Willison's stand regarding physical fitness in Wain's "Manhood."

QUESTION 1. (Compulsary)

(a). Describe clearly and draw a diagram of the logical organization of a general purpose computer system.

Marks (10)

(b). Write the names and functions of 3 examples of each of the following –

Computer Hardware and
Computer Software

Marks (6)

(c). Write the names of 2 examples of each of the following

Input devices,
Output devices,
Pointing devices and
Secondary storage devices

Marks (8)

(d). Capacity of a hard disk is 500 MB. How many bytes are there is the hard disk ?

Marks (2)

(e). Convert the following unsigned binary numbers into decimal integers –
(01011111)₂ and (11100001)₂.

Marks (6)

(f). Convert the following decimal integers into unsigned binary numbers –
(188)₁₀ and (053)₁₀.

Marks (6)

(g). Explain four most important functions of an Operating system.

Marks (4)

(h). Write the names and explain the utility of 2 examples of system software.

Marks (4)

(i). Write the names and explain the utility of 2 examples of applications software.

Marks (4)