UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

INSTITUTE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION

SUPPLEMETARY EXAMINATION

JULY, 2018

TITLE OF PAPER

: TOPICS IN LINGUISTICS AND LITERARY STUDIES

COURSE CODE

: IDE-ENG 408

TIME ALLOWED

: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

 This paper is divided into two sections; Section A: Literature, and Section B: Language & Linguistics.

- 2. Answer **THREE** questions in all. Answer **one** question from **Section A** and **one** from **Section B**. Choose the **third** question from **either** Section A or Section B.
- 3. Each question carries 20 marks. The total marks for the examination is 60 marks.
- 4. Do not repeat material or write about the same text at length more than once.
- 5. Candidates are not allowed to bring any reading material into the examination room.
- 6. Correct use of English and literary conventions will be rewarded, and the contrary will be penalised.
- 7. Each section must be answered in its own answer booklet.

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SECTION A: LITERATURE

Question 1

- (a) Define religious renaissance and bigotry. [5 Marks]
- (b) Identify and critically analyse any two works from different negritude writers who are expressing the theme of religious renaissance and bigotry. [15 Marks]

Question 2

Discuss how, through sarcasm, Lenrie Peters and Okot p'Bitek lament the fragmentation of the African psyche and alienation of Africans from their culture. [20 Marks]

Question 3

Chunua Achebe obstinately expresses his support for using European languages in writing

African Literature. Identify and evaluate his points of argument. [20 Marks]

SECTION B: LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

- All languages change/ evolve due to different factors that are either linguistic or extra-linguistic. With close reference to the history of the English language, discuss any three linguistic and any three extra-linguistic factors that led to the evolution of the English language from Anglo-Saxon to Modern day English. Illustrate your answer using examples. [20 Marks]
- (a) with the aid of examples, describe three ways in which the English languagemarks future time. [10 Marks]
- (b) Explain the difference between Tense and Aspect in English. [10 Marks]