# UNIVERSITY OF SWAZIALND

## **SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION 2005**

TITLE OF PAPER:

A STUDY OF DRAMA

**COURSE CODE:** 

**ENG 305 / IDE- E3P5** 

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO HOUR ENG 305 THREE HOURS E3P5

**INSTRUCTIONS:** 

1. Answer ONE question from section A and two Questions from section B

2. Do not repeat material or write about the same

text more than once.

3. Correct use of English and literary conventions will be rewarded and the reverse will be

penalised.

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### **SECTION A**

### Either

1. 'Drama as literature shares certain features with other genres of literature'. Discuss some of those that are peculiar to it. [20]

OR

2. Compare and contrast some of the features of tragedy and comedy. [20]

### **SECTION B**

3. The Gods Are Not To Blame - Rotimi

What features of Greek Classical tragedy are reflected in this play? [20]

The Coat - Fugard

### EITHER:

4. 'In this play, Fugard provides us with rudiments of writing a play.' What techniques do the five characters employ in trying to come up with a play that truly reflects the lives of the black South Africans during the apartheid era? [20]

OR:

Nongogo - Fugard

5. Discuss how any three characters' circumstances have been shaped and moulded by the urban experience. [20]

Othello - Shakespeare

6. Discuss how Iago's character is revealed through the use of monologues and asides in this play. [20]

The Room and The Dumb Waiter - Pinter

7. One of the features of Absurd Theatre is the futile nature of the dialogue. Using examples from the two plays, discuss this statement. [20]