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SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2021 TRIMESTER

FACULTY ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

MASTER OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES LITERATURE & COMMUNICATION

MLT 519: CARIBBEAN LITERATURE

Date: December 2021 **Duration:** 3 Hours

Instructions: Answer Question **ONE** and any other **THREE** Questions

QUESTION ONE

Drawing examples from texts, you have read in this course Caribbean literature,

- a) Discuss at least three themes in Caribbean literature and their relatedness to the social historical circumstances of the Caribbean person. (15 Marks)
- b) Discuss the uses to which dialect has been used in Caribbean literature.

(10 Marks)

QUESTION TWO

The characters in V.S. Naipul's *Miguel Street* epitomize life of hardships that the African Americans lead. Analyze the veracity of this proposition drawing illustrations from the text.

(15 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

"Caribbean Literature is largely a response by individual writers to the historical realities of the area." To what extent is the above statement valid in the light of what you have studied in this course?

(15 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

Discuss the use of Caribbean traditions in evoking the historical past drawing illustrations from Derek's Walcott's *An Echo in the Bone.* (15 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Discuss the effectiveness of strategies of liberation implied in the works of various creative and critical writers of the Caribbean who portray a way of redeeming human dignity.

(15 Marks)

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