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Faculty of Humanities
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English – ENGL E 1025
Introduction to Drama

Answer any four (04) questions

No. of questions: six (06)

Time: three (03) hours

1. Discuss the ways in which **Bertolt Brecht's** *The Good Person of Setzuan* is a sharp criticism of humanity's inherent greed and cruelty.
2. Do you agree that *The Zoo Story* is a realistic portrayal of the struggles of humanity in a dehumanizing and materialistic world? Discuss with reference to the play by **Edward Albee**.
3. *The House of Bernarda Alba* depicts the conflict between individual and society, natural and social law, and freedom and repression. Do you agree? Discuss with reference to the play by **Federico García Lorca**.
4. Discuss the ways in which the symbolism in the play *The Dumb Waiter* by **Harold Pinter** is an extension of its themes of alienation and absurdity of existence.
5. Drama is a critically important form of art that explores societal issues concerning women. Do you agree? Discuss this statement with reference to a **play** you have studied for this course.
6. Examine the ways in which the complexities of the human condition are represented through characterisation in a **play** you have studied for this course.