



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION
2021_2 EXAMINATION**

COURSE CODE: MAC 313
COURSE TITLE: CRITICAL WRITING AND REVIEW
UNITS: 2
TIME: 2 HOURS
INSTRUCTION: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS.

1. (a) Explain what it means to be critical when writing about a particular piece of art.
(b) Pope (2002: 43) identifies four basic meanings of criticism. List and discuss them.
(30 Marks)
2. According to Fisher (2001) the definition of Critical thinking consists of five elements. Briefly explain any four 4 of these elements. **(20 Marks)**
3. Discuss ways in which critical writing significantly differs from news writing. **(20 Marks)**
4. Identify the three (3) components of Criticism. (b) Briefly discuss any two of these components. **(20 Marks)**
5. If you believe that a reviewer is not a critic, and that a critic is not a reviewer, briefly discuss ways in which each could be distinguished from the other. **(20 Marks)**