



## NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

### Faculty of Arts

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2020\_1 EXAMINATION

Programme: BA Islamic Studies

Course Code: ARA481

Course Title: Arabic Literature II

Credit Unit: 2.0 Units

Time Allowed: 2hrs.

**Instruction to Candidates: Answer Question No. ONE (1) and any other two (2), questions. Question number ONE is COMPULSORY.**

1. a. Mention and explain the broad divisions of Arabic literature.  
b. What are the distinguishing characteristics between these broad divisions?
2. a. Explain the term *al-Khitabah* in Arabic prose.  
b. Write a short note on ONLY FIVE out of the types of *al-Khitabah* in Arabic Prose.
3. a. Discuss three types of *al-Risaalah* in Arabic prose.  
b. Examine the structure of *al-Risaalah* in Arabic prose.
4. a. What are the distinguishing factors between *al-Qissah* and *al-Riwāyah*?  
b. Trace the origin and evolution of the first true Arabic novel.