

**BOWEN UNIVERSITY, IWO  
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL STUDIES  
HISTORY AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES  
FIRST SEMESTER 2022//2023 SESSION EXAMINATION**

**COURSE TITLE: AFRICA AND THE OUTSIDE WORLD IN THE 20<sup>th</sup> CENTURY**

**COURSE CODE: HIS 311**

**INSTRUCTION: ANY THREE Questions. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS OF 23 EACH**

**TIME: 2HOURS 30 MINUTES**

1. How would you convince a layman that Africa was never an isolated continent from the outside world during the period before the 20<sup>th</sup> Century?
2. Critically examine the theories often advanced to explain European “interest” and eventual imperialism in Africa in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.
3. “The First and Second World Wars came with severe consequences on the entire world in general and the African continent in particular”. Discuss some of these consequences.
4. Explain what you understand by the Cold War, and explain how it affected Africa.
5. “Africa has never been a mere “robot” within the United Nations system”. Justify this view, with concrete illustrations.
6. **Either:** (a). Analyse some of the ways in which the external world exerted influence on developments in Africa during the period of the struggle for political independence.  
**Or** (b): What is neo-colonialism? Discuss how neo-colonialism has affected African nation-states since the attainment of political independence.