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EXAMINATION FOR INTERNAL STUDENTS

For the following qualifications :-

M.A.

M.A. German Studies: Aspects of German Culture, Politics and Identity

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MA in German Studies

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ASPECTS OF GERMAN CULTURE, POLITICS AND IDENTITY

Time allowed: THREE hours.

Answer TWO questions.

Do not use the same material as the basis for more than one answer.

Credit will be given for breadth of reference.

1. 'Nazis' conceptions of the nation were based on racial theory whereas those of "conservative revolutionaries" rested on theories of culture.' Discuss.
2. Compare and contrast constructions of national identity in the Federal Republic of Germany and the German Democratic Republic.
3. 'The proponents of "constitutional patriotism" wrongly assumed that West Germany was a "post-national" society.' Discuss.
4. 'It is through the multiple perspectives of literary texts that constructions of national identity, both private and public, are most successfully explored.' Discuss with reference to TWO OR MORE of the authors whom you have studied.
5. 'Creative writers who seek to represent national identity run the risk of merely trading in stereotypes.' Discuss with reference to TWO OR MORE of the authors whom you have studied.

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