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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME : BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE YEAR II

COURSE CODE : HORT 201

TITLE OF PAPER : HORTICULTURE INDUSTRY

TIME ALLOWED : TWO [2] HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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QUESTION 1

Horticultural therapy (HT) is a new concept in the rather diverse horticulture discipline.

- a) List six benefits of horticultural therapy (6 marks)
- b) How would you assist your community to derive benefits from such a concept? (19 marks)

[25 marks]

QUESTION 2

- a) Discuss the value of trees in a rural agroforestry system. (10 marks)
- b) Describe how you would assist a group of farmers to establish a tree nursery in rural Swaziland (15 marks)

[25 marks]

QUESTION 3

- a) Discuss the advantages of sexual propagation of plants (12 marks)
- b) Discuss the disadvantages of asexual propagation of plants. (13 marks)

[25 marks]

QUESTION 4

The growth of the horticulture industry in Swaziland will depend on diversification, marketing strategies as well as the development of the processing sector among other factors. To what extent has the 'Swazi Secrets' company located at Mpaka attempted to address these concerns?

[25 marks]

QUESTION 5

During the international trade fair show 2008 in Manzini, you were assigned a visit to each of the display sites. Discuss the extent to which horticulture related activities were prominent during this event.

[25 marks]