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SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2004

TITLE OF PAPER : **INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS
IN ADULT EDUCATION**

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TIME ALLOWED : **TWO (2) HOURS**

INSTRUCTIONS :

1. **ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS FROM SECTION "A".**
2. **ANSWER ANY THREE (3) QUESTIONS IN SECTION "B".**
3. **MARKS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR POORLY WRITTEN ENGLISH.**
4. **ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION B CARRY EQUAL MARKS.**

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SECTION A: COMPULSORY

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer all questions.

QUESTION 1

"Marital Status" is a variable. True/False [2]

QUESTION 2

Male and female are variables. True/False [2]

QUESTION 3

List FOUR characteristics of hypotheses. True/False [6]

QUESTION 4

A hypotheses is an expected but unconfirmed relationship between two or more variables. True/False [2]

QUESTION 5

What is the difference between a categorical and a continuous variable? True/False [2]

QUESTION 6

It is important to narrow down the scope of a research problem. True/False [2]

QUESTION 7

A research problem should depict the target audience/subjects and the variable to be investigated. True/False [2]

QUESTION 8

Some variables can act either as independent or dependent variable in certain studies. True/False [2]

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SECTION B

Instructions: Answer any three questions.

QUESTION 9

- (a) What is the difference between an active and an attribute variable? [10 marks]
- (b) Give an example of a directional hypothesis and a null hypothesis. [10 marks]

QUESTION 10

Using examples explain why it is important for researchers to adhere to ethics in conducting research in social science and education. [20 marks]

QUESTION 11

Discuss EIGHT (8) characteristics of research according to Best and Kahn (1993). [20 marks]

QUESTION 12

Explain the difference between correlational research and experimental research. [20 marks]