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TITLE OF PAPER: METHODS AND MATERIALS IN ADULT EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: AE 201

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN SECTION "A" AND ANY TWO (2) FROM SECTION "B".

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SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

QUESTION 1

Briefly explain the following terms while giving practical examples [5marks each].

1. Andragogy
2. Stimulus Response – Reinforcement (S-R-R)
3. Instructional Design Models
4. Community Profile
5. Target group needs assessment
6. Learning objective
7. Lesson plan
8. Summative evaluation

[40 Marks]

QUESTION 2

A media attribute is a capability of a medium to show objects in motion, colour, three dimensions, etc. Based on this, do the following:

- ◆ Select and explain two mediums you used when instructing adults in the field practical; (10)
- ◆ Discuss/explain what are the media attributes of these mediums; (5)
- ◆ Show the importance of media attribute/s compared to the medium itself. (5)

[20 marks]

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 3

Design is one of the stages in many instructional design models. Given that you designed an instructional programme for a group of adult learners and implemented it:

- ◆ Systematically describe how you went through the design stage, (10)
- ◆ List and explain the products you came-up with in the stage (10)

[20 marks]

QUESTION 4

In your computer foundations course you learned a number of things including how a computer operates. Through computers, the World is linked through the Internet:

- ◆ Describe what is an Internet; (5)
- ◆ List five ways that people can communicate through the Internet; (5)
- ◆ List and briefly discuss five benefits of the Internet for Adult learners. (10)

[20 marks]

QUESTION 5

Adult educators in many situations have to utilize certain media to support instruction. Given Power Point (PPT) presentation and a Video (DVD) programme:

- ◆ Briefly explain each and explain how it works; (10)
- ◆ Explain how you would use each in an instructional programme. (10)

[20 marks]

QUESTION 6

Behavioural objectives, also known as learning objectives are an important component of designing a lesson plan:

- i. Explain what is an objective; (5)
- ii. Discuss how objectives are used in a lesson plan; (5)
- iii. Discuss the importance of performance objectives for adult learning;(5)
- iv. Provide one example of a learning objective (5)

[20 marks]

QUESTION 7

Adult learners world-wide are engaging in some form of learning through distance education.

- ◆ With the aid of examples, discuss two forms of delivery systems that one can use in-order to learn at a distance (10 Marks).
- ◆ Provide some advantages and disadvantages of using the delivery systems (10 Marks).

[20 Marks]

QUESTION 8

As an instructional designer, you are required to conduct formative evaluation as one of the process/procedures of designing a training programme/training material. Based on this:

- ◆ Explain what is meant by formative evaluation; (5)
- ◆ List and explain five things that one looks for, when conducting formative evaluation; (10)
- ◆ Relate this to the instructional materials you designed. (5)

[20 marks]

QUESTION 9

Newspapers can be a valuable tool for teachers and/or facilitators who work with adult learners:

- ◆ Define/Describe 'Newspapers' (5)
- ◆ Distinguish between a newspaper and a magazine (5)
- ◆ List and explain five items (valuable tools) that you as a change agent can use with Newspapers on your target audience. (10)

[20 marks]