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INSTITUTE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (ADULT EDUCATION) YEAR 3

MAIN EXAMINATION, MAY 2019

TITLE OF PAPER: RESEARCH METHODS IN ADULT
EDUCATION I

COURSE CODE: BAE317

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY
OTHER THREE QUESTIONS
2. DO NOT WRITE ON THE QUESTION
PAPER

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ANSWER THIS QUESTION

QUESTION 1

You have been hired by EBC to conduct an observational study of the election process in ESwatini. Discuss how you would go about doing this task, highlighting and justifying the observation stance you would take. [40 marks]

QUESTION 2

Examine the following concepts as applied in research:

- a) Relics
 - b) Primary source
 - c) Research design
 - d) Randomisation
- [5 x 4= 20 marks]

QUESTION 3

Identify one quantitative research design and examine this research design, indicating its strengths and weaknesses. [20 marks]

QUESTION 4

Compare and contrast experimental research design and quasi-experimental design. Under what circumstances would you use the quasi-experimental design? [20 marks]

QUESTION 5

- a) What do you understand by the term 'sampling'? [2 marks]
- b) Explain the importance of using a representative sample? [3 marks]
- c) List and describe sampling methods known to you. [6 marks]
- d) For each of the sampling methods above, describe two sampling techniques. [9 marks]

QUESTION 6

- a) Identify four non-probability sampling techniques that you are likely to use as a researcher [4 marks]
- b) Describe the techniques [12 marks]
- c) Explain the instances you are likely to use the techniques in your study [4 marks]