

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER: MAY 2010

TITLE OF PAPER: CURRICULUM STUDIES IN GEOGRAPHY

COURSE CODE: EDC277

TIME ALLOWED: THREE (3) HOURS

STUDENTS: B.ED II

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1. THERE ARE A TOTAL OF SIX QUESTIONS.**
 - 2. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS IN ALL**
 - 3 EACH QUESTION CARRIES A TOTAL OF 25) MARKS**
 - 4. YOU ARE ADVISED NOT TO SPEND MORE THAN FORTY FIVE (45) MINUTES ON ANY ONE QUESTION.**

THIS QUESTION PAPER SHOULD NOT BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION IS GIVEN BY THE INVIGILATOR.

QUESTION 1

Lesson planning is a very important exercise in the teaching profession.

- (a) Discuss the role of planning for the effective teaching and learning of Geography. (10 marks)
- (b) Discuss the main components of an ideal geography lesson plan. (15 marks) **{25 MARKS}**

QUESTION 2

Geography is considered as a practical subject that involves a lot of activity. Using illustrative examples, explain how objectives in the psychomotor domain help enhance the practicality of Geography as a subject. **{25 MARKS}**

QUESTION 3

Many people have contributed towards the development of Geography as an academic discipline over the past 150 years. Discuss the contributions of Charles Darwin towards the development of Geography as a discipline. How did Darwin's contribution differ from the French view of the environment? **{25 MARKS}**

QUESTION 4

Discuss how each of the following forms of media can help enhance the effective teaching of Geography:

- (a) Radio (8 marks)
- (b) Television (8 marks)
- (c) Newspaper (9 marks) **{25 MARKS}**

QUESTION 5

The chalkboard has been described as the most versatile of all the teaching and learning recourses in any school. Discuss how the chalkboard can be effectively utilized in the effective teaching and learning of Geography, also pointing out what its disadvantages are and how they can be overcome. **{25 MARKS}**

QUESTION 6

Assignments in Geography, like in all subjects play an important role in ensuring that effective learning takes place. Discuss five points in support of assignment work in Geography. (5x5 marks). **{25 MARKS}**

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