UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER: DECEMBER 2013

TITLE OF PAPER : CURRICULUM STUDIES IN HISTORY

COURSE CODE : EDC 276

MARKS : 100

STUDENTS : PGCE/BED

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: 1. THERE ARE FIVE QUESTIONS IN TOTAL

2. ANSWER FOUR QUESTIONS IN ALL

3. SECTION A QUESTIONS 1 IS COMPULSORY

4. SECTION B CHOOSE THREE QUESTIONS

5. WRITE VERY CLEARLY

6. NUMBER YOUR ANSWER CORRECTLY

7. EACH QUESTION CARRIES TWENTY FIVE (25) MARKS

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

QUESTION 1

a) Explain the nature of History in teaching and learning.

(10)

b) Discuss why History should be included in the school curriculum.

(15)

SECTION B (ANSWER THREE QUESTIONS FROM THIS SECTION)

QUESTION 2

What is effective teaching? Discuss using Benjamin Bloom's taxonomy of objectives in a classroom situation. (25)

Question 3

Explain the following concepts and how they can enhance effective teaching in a history classroom.

- a) Time on task
- b) Clear goal setting
- c) Structured teaching
- d) Clarity of presentation

(25)

Question 4

'Discuss the strength and weaknesses of the following teaching methods.

- a) Research method
- b) Lecture method

(25)

Question 5

Select a topic of your choice from the current History syllabus and prepare a lesson plan for a 70 minutes period. Include all the important steps to be considered, use at least three learner centered methods in History teaching.

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