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TITLE OF PAPER:

School Society: PGC and BED F/T, IDE P/T)

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

ANSWER any FOUR QUESTIONS

TOTAL MARKS 100

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Question 1

School textbooks and educational policies are used by different states to create specific kinds of societies (Apple, 1992).

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- (a) Explain how textbooks and policies are used in Swaziland, USA and South Africa to create their future societies. (13 marks)
- (b) Explain the differences on the manner these three countries (Swaziland, South Africa and USA) uses their school textbooks and policies to create their future societies. (12 marks)

Question 2

Exclusion in schools through professionals' practices is the first step towards exclusion in society (Florian, 1998).

- (a) Explain how exclusionary practices of professionals such as teachers have affected students' learning in schools and the achievement of an inclusive society. (12 marks)
- (b) Explain how these common features of an inclusive school could be used in practice in a school setup. (13 marks)
 - (i) Collaborative team work;
 - (ii) Family involvement;
 - (iii) Effective use of professionals or other resources in educational organizations.

Question 3

Schools are sites for promoting equality and quality teaching in schools and society (Kozol, 2005 and Anyon, 1980).

- (a) Explain how school processes need to be understood for effective management and effective quality teaching and learning and equality in schools and society (12 marks).
- (b) Explain how teachers' misconceptions, conceptions and beliefs work against the Swazi government's effort of achieving equality in schools and society. (13 marks).

Question 4

Socio-cultural institutions shape and frame education systems and society (Cole, 1996).

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- (a) Explain how governments as social institutions directly or indirectly promote exclusion in schools and society. (12 marks)
- (b) Explain how social exclusion in our societies depends on professionals who possess or are in command of the 21st century competencies. (13 marks)

Question 5

Religion and society are extricably linked by the state's interest of achieving a certain society (Berger, 1999).

- (a) Explain the existing relationship between education, religion and state/societies. (13 Marks)
- (b) Give local oriented examples of the link between state religion and education in Swaziland. (12 Marks)

Question 6

Students' engagement in schools and society is influenced by broader layers of contexts (Parson, 1999).

- (a) Describe the broader layers of contexts which affect students' engagement in schools and in their future professional work or society.
- (b) Explain how students' engagement could be improved in schools.

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