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: PED 271

**: CURRICULUM STUDIES IN SOCIAL STUDIES:
SOCIAL STUDIES**

: THREE (3) HOURS

- 1. THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF FIVE (5) QUESTIONS.
ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS**
- 2. EACH QUESTION CARRIES TWENTY FIVE (25) MARKS**
- 3. THIS EXAM PAPER CARRIES A TOTAL OF 100 MARKS
WHICH CONSTITUTES 50% OF THE FINAL COURSE
GRADE.**
- 4. INDICATE ON YOUR ANSWER BOOKLET WHETHER
YOU ARE A FULL TIME (F.T.) STUDENT OR NOT (IDE).
APPEND THE INITIAL F.T. OR I.D.E. TO YOUR I.D.
NUMBER.**

**THIS PAPER IS NOT TO BE OPENED UNTIL PERMISSION TO DO SO HAS BEEN
GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.**

Question 1

- a. Explain what you understand by the term “Social Studies”. [5]
- b. Discuss any three reasons why Social Studies must be included in the school curriculum. [20]

Question 2

Discuss any **five** (5) social sciences disciplines that contribute content to social studies. Give one reason why each should be included in the school curriculum. [25]

Question 3

Discuss the events leading to the introduction of Social Studies in Africa. Mention three of the important benefits that were seen to have come with the learning of Social studies. [25]

Question 4

Briefly describe each of the following approaches used in organising Social Studies content and explain why each approach is important. [25]

- a. Integrated approach
- b. Spiral approach
- c. Concept-based approach

Question 5

Discuss any **two** advantages and **three** disadvantages of using the lecture method in teaching Social Studies. [25]