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GENERAL NURSING SCIENCE

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION, JULY, 2005

COURSE TITLE: THEORETICAL BASIS OF NURSING

COURSE CODE: NUR 504

TIME: 3 HOURS

TOTAL POINTS: 100

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
- 1. Answer four questions of your choice out of the five questions**
 - 2. Each question carries 25 marks**
 - 3. Each point has ½ for a fact and ½ for an explanation**
 - 4. Answer all your questions in the answer sheet provided**

DO NOT OPEN THE QUESTION PAPER UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO
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QUESTION ONE

- a) Describe the types of theories based on the level of abstraction (5)
- b) Describe the descriptive and prescriptive theories based on the goal orientation (10)
- c) Discuss the importance of studying nursing theories (10)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Nursing has been evolving in terms of stages. Identify as to under which stage/stages is the nursing profession in your country and provide a rationale (10)
- b) Describe the barriers to theory development under the following headings
 - i) Nurses as nurses (5)
 - ii) Nurses as women (5)
 - iii) Nurses as theorist (5)

QUESTION THREE

- a) Discuss how you would utilize Hildegard Peplau's phases in the provision of nursing care (12)
- b) Discuss the following concepts as per Margaret Newmans "new paradigm"
 - i) Human being
 - ii) Environment (13)
 - iii) Health
 - iv) Nursing

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Define nursing according to Henderson's definition (4)
- b) Discuss Henderson's work and the characteristics of a theory (21)

QUESTION FIVE

- a) Apply Callister Roys four adaptive modes to the assessment of a client who comes in suffering from diabetes. (8)
- b) Describe nursing according to Florence Nightingale (5)
- c) Discuss the principles of homeodynamics by Martha Rogers (12)