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EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER 2008
SUPPLEMENTARY

TITLE OF PAPER: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY
COURSE CODE: **ENG 307/IDE-ENG 307**
TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS
INSTRUCTIONS: 1. Answer THREE (3) questions.
2. Be LEGIBLE and LOGICAL.

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1. **Compare and contrast qualitative and quantitative research; then describe ONE qualitative and ONE quantitative research method.** (20 marks)
2. "Problem is the heart of research," and "a problem well-defined is half-solved."
 - (i) **Describe** a research problem in very clear terms and **state** what its essential qualities. (10 marks)
 - (ii) **Formulate** a research problem that you would like to investigate, **specifying** its particulars. (10 marks)
3. **Explain** the key elements and activities of research, with particular regard to their relationships. (20 marks)
4. **Expose** the elements and steps of *stylistic analysis*. (20 marks)
5. If you were to study how novelists treat gender issues in their works, **justify** and **analyse** a research method you would adopt. (20 marks)