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COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY
COURSE CODE: ENG 307 FULL-TIME ONLY
TIME ALLOWED: TWO HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer Question One, plus any other question.
2. Pay attention to your expression and literary conventions.
3. All the questions carry equal marks.
4. This paper is 2 pages long, cover page included.

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Question One (compulsory)

- a) Identify the essential components of a research proposal. [5]
- b) Define each component and discuss its role along with how it relates to the whole. [25]

Question Two

- a) Imagine that you are preparing to embark on field research to collect oral narratives from Ntfontjani in the northern Hhohho, highlight the research design you would put in place. [15]
- b) What data collection techniques would you use? Discuss fully. [15]

Question Three

Identify and discuss with examples the steps followed in data analysis of a qualitative study. [30]

Question Four

With the aid of illustrations, define and briefly state how each of the following terms relates to research in the Humanities or in English Language and Literature:

Hermeneutics [5]

Semiotics [5]

Narrative and Metaphor [5]

Intertextuality [5]

Formalism [5]

Psychoanalytic criticism [5]