UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY SEMESTER II FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER MAY 2012

COURSE NAME : ASPECTS OF WORLD HISTORY FROM 1500 TO 1800

COURSE CODE : H102

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TIME ALLOWED : 2 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS : 1. CHOOSE AND ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

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CHOOSE AND ANSWER TWO (2) QUESTIONS FROM THE FOLLOWING. Each question is worth 25 marks.

QUESTION1

Basing your discussion on the socio-economic conditions in Saudi-Arabia show how Prophet Mohammed's new teachings led to the persecutions of the early Moslems. State two other means by which Islam spread to different parts of the world.

QUESTION 2

Describe the operations of the Trans-Saharan trade across the three major belts. State four positive results of this trade in the lives of the people in the Sudanic belt.

QUESTION 3

Choose any one Ancient Kingdom in West Africa and analyse the factors that led to its rise to supremacy in the area. What particular role was played by the trans-Saharan trade in the decline and fall of the kingdom of your choice?

QUESTION 4

"Economic factors had a greater impact than political factors in causing the Bantu Migrations." How far do you agree with this assertion?

QUESTION 5

Analyse the economic and social factors used to justify European encroachment and eventual colonisation of African countries.