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RESIT/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

EXAMINATIONS FOR THE AWARD OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

EPSC 123: STATISTICAL METHODS IN EDUCATION

STREAMS: BED (ARTS)

TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY/DATE: MONDAY 10/9/2018

8.30 A.M. – 10.30 A.M.

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer question ONE and any other THREE
- Do not write on the question paper

**QUESTION ONE**

(a) Explain any five benefits of statistics to a prospective secondary school teacher. [10 marks]

(b) Represent the following information on a histogram. [10 marks]

| CRE | History | Geograph | Agricultur | English |
|-----|---------|----------|------------|---------|
|     |         | y        | e          |         |
| 30  | 50      | 20       | 70         | 80      |

(c) Explain the meaning of the following terms in relation to statistics. [10 marks]

- Data
- Population
- Statistic
- Parameter

- (v) Variable
- (d) Discuss any two areas in a school set up where statistics is useful [10 marks]

**QUESTION TWO**

(a)

|           |         |         |         |         |         |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Class     | 16 – 25 | 26 – 35 | 36 – 45 | 46 – 55 | 56 – 65 |
| Frequency | 10      | 30      | 40      | 20      | 20      |

Compute:

- (i) Modal class [1 mark]
  - (ii) Mean [3 marks]
  - (iii) Variance [4 marks]
  - (iv) Standard deviation [2 marks]
- (b) Two dice are tossed together. Find the probability that the sum of the two upper faces will be?
- (i) Eight [2 marks]
  - (ii) Less than nine [2 marks]
  - (iii) Greater than four [2 marks]
  - (iv) At least three [2 marks]
  - (v) At most six [2 marks]

**QUESTION THREE**

(a)

|           |         |         |         |         |         |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Class     | 11 – 20 | 21 – 30 | 31 – 40 | 41 – 50 | 51 – 60 |
| Frequency | 5       | 17      | 19      | 6       | 23      |

Calculate the interquartile range. [10 marks]

- (b) Describe five factors that influence the correlation coefficient [10 marks]

### QUESTION FOUR

- (a) The following information relates to students scores

|    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|
| 60 | 83 | 50 | 45 | 46 |
| 80 | 74 | 70 | 73 | 56 |
| 90 | 56 | 89 | 54 | 75 |
| 84 | 44 | 60 | 66 | 70 |

Determine

- (a) A frequency distribution with class intervals 1 – 10, 11 – 20 etc. [5 marks]  
(b) Modal class [1 mark]  
(c) Median [4 marks]  
(d) Range [2 marks]

- (b) Work out the product moment correlation coefficient for the following data.

[10

marks]

|   |    |    |    |    |    |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|
| X | 80 | 60 | 75 | 50 | 70 |
| y | 30 | 50 | 45 | 70 | 40 |
|   |    |    |    |    |    |

### QUESTION FOUR

- (a) The following data was obtained from an experiment. Compute the  $t$  test statistic

[10

marks]

|   |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| X | 14 | 13 | 17 | 17 | 18 | 15 |
| Y | 18 | 12 | 20 | 19 | 22 | 19 |

- (b) Describe the procedures for hypothesis testing [10 marks]