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END OF FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

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DURATION: (3 HRS)

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***INSTRUCTIONS***

1. Do not write your name on the answer sheet.  

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2. Use answer sheets provided.  

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3. Question 1 is compulsory.
4. Answer 2 questions from Section B.
5. Credit will be given for illustrations and examples.  

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## **SECTION A**

### **QUESTION 1**

Briefly explain the meanings of the following concepts:

- (a) Social psychology [4 marks]
- (b) Conformity [4 marks]
- (c) Obedience [4 marks]
- (d) Aggression [4 marks]
- (e) Conflict [4 marks]

## **SECTION B**

### **QUESTION 2**

Discuss how individuals can become aware of and cope with Overt and covert discrimination.

### **QUESTION 3**

Examine the causes of conflicts among human beings and suggest ways of resolving the conflicts.

### **QUESTION 4**

The literature on attribution processes identifies a number of "biases" in the processes by which we perceive other persons. How do these biases influence the impressions we form of others as we interact with them?

### **QUESTION 5**

Suppose Jessica severely sprains her ankle after stumbling off a combi and has trouble walking. Explain in detail why a social psychologist expects her to be unlikely to get help on a street in Harare.