

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION Harare Parallel O.B. Final Examination

Organizational Behaviour MMS201

SEMESTER ONE: November 2013 TIME ALLOCATED: 3HOURS

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COURSE TITLE:

INSTRUCTIONS

Section A - Answer all questions

Section B- Choose and answer any TWO essay questions.

Credit will be given for logical, systematic and neat presentations.

Anyone caught cheating will be disqualified

Section A

- 1. Define Organisational behavior. [2]
- 2. Explain briefly the major difference between the old and new approach to O.B. [1]
- 3. What are the basic differences between "formal" and "informal" groups at the workplace? [4]
- 4. Usually O.B is studied at three levels, what are these levels and what does each one cover very briefly? [3]
- 5. Name any 4 distinct disciplines from which the study of O.B borrows . [2]
- 6. What are the two ways in which individuals differ? [2]
- 7. In the development of leadership theory, three different approaches have been used to explain how some people and not others make successful leaders. Name these three approaches. [3]
- 8. What is Learning as defined in O.B [2]
- 9. The Blake and Mouton Managerial Grid uses two factors to analyse management types. Which two are these? [2]
- 10.Name two learning theories as propounded by Pavlov and Thorndike behavioural psychologists. [2]
- 11. What do we call the group influence on individual members which prevents them from making a free choice in their behavior? [2]
- 12. Name any two processes that will enhance/increase learning. [2]
- 13.Define personality as accurately as you can in O.B terms. [2]
- 14. Sigmund Freud in studying individual personality came up with three behavior forces in the Human being. What names did he give these three forces? [2]

15.CATTEL designed a personality assessment test called [1]
16.Name the five stages of development that most groups go through in their
life time. [5]
17. Give the formula for measuring intelligence or I.Q. [2]
18. What is the difference between aptitude and achievement/performance test.
[4]
19.If behavior is not re-inforced or punished each time it occurs it may die
away. What do we call this dying away? [1]
20.List two differences between a leader and a manager. [4]
21.State any two causes or sources of conflict in an organization. [2]
22.Explain the difference between Internal and External locus of control as they
affect individual behavior. [2]
23. With the aid of a diagram, define communication in terms of O.B [4]
24. What do we call the self fulfilling prophecy effect that tends to make people
see and get what they want and expect in a situation? [2]
25. What are the three features that usually distinguish a group or team from a
crowd? [2]
26. What is the difference between a "mechanistic" and a "rational"
organizational structure? [1]

Section B – Essay Questions: Choose and answer only $\underline{\text{Two}}$ questions from here.

Each question carries 25 marks

- 1. How can Employee recognition and involvement programmes be utilized to motivate employees at work. What would their effect be on the "dependent variables"?
- 2. What is personality? How is it assessed and how accurate is it in determining future success in jobs?
- 3. Tuckman developed the theory of group/team development which until today no one has proved wrong. Discuss this group/team development theory showing the group behavior at each of the stages.
- 4. Discuss the importance of managers studying Organizational Behaviour. What does the course cover at each of the three levels of the study?

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