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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF FASHION DESIGN AND MARKETING

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (FASHION DESIGN AND MARKETING)

HFM 206: INTRODUCTION TO TEXTILE FURNISHING

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

- i) *This paper consists of **five** questions.*
- ii) *Answer Question 1 and any other **two** questions.*
- iii) *Question 1=20 marks*
- iv) *Question 2 to 5=15 marks each*

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms
 - i. Soft furnishings. (1 mark)
 - ii. Triad colour scheme. (1 mark)
 - iii. Enamelling. (1 mark)
 - iv. Corporate designers. (1 mark)
- b) Paints are made up of a mixture of four important ingredients. Name and explain the functions of each ingredient. (4 marks)
- c) Name three (3) levels at which curtain length measurements may be established. (3 marks)

d) State three (3) functions of each of the following soft furnishings in a home.

i. Scatter cushions. **(3marks)**

ii. Dining table mats/ placemats. **(3marks)**

e) State three (3) advantages of using the linen fabric for dining table cloths.

(3marks)

Answer any two questions from this section (30 marks)

Question two

a) What functional qualities should one bear in mind when selecting textiles for upholstery covering. **(10 marks)**

b) Explain five (5) reasons why foam would be an appropriate textile to use as padding, carpet backing, cushion and mattress filling material. **(5 marks)**

Question three

a) What are the advantages of a duvet cover. **(10marks)**

b) Discuss five (5) factors to bear in mind when choosing a lampshade. **(5 marks)**

Question four

a) Clearly explain and calculate the amount of fabric you would require to make a fitted bed sheet for a bed whose mattress size is 72 inches long, 36 inches wide, and 6 inches deep.

N.B. The hem allowance is 2 inches and the tuck in allowance is 6 inches. **(5marks)**

b) Explain ten (10) qualities of good bed sheet fabric. **(10marks)**

Question five

a) Discuss ten (10) benefits of lining draperies or curtains. **(10 marks)**

b) Describe five (5) weaknesses of Acetate that would limit its use for textile furnishings.

(5marks)