1. Discuss the understanding of death and dying in your community. In your discussion identify the rituals that are performed before the funeral, during and after the funeral.

2. Identify and give a critical analysis of the seven functions and related resources of pastoral care as postulated by Emmanuel Lartey in his book *In living Colour*.

3. Describe the role of the pastor as a crisis counsellor according to David Switzer. In your description give examples from the real life of your local congregation.

4. Identify and discuss with examples from your cultural context the stages of death and dying as pointed to by Elisabeth Kubler Ross in her book *On Death and Dying*.

5. According to family systems theory as a pastoral care-giver, in a counselling relationship you cannot understand an individual client outside their family system. This argument resonates with the African philosophical understanding that a person is a person because of other persons – *Umuntu ngumuntu ngabantu*. Discuss

6. What is depression from a pastoral perspective? Discuss the different forms of clinical depression.

7. What is grieving as experienced by people in your community? Discuss the stages of grieving according to a scholar of your choice. In your discussion you should identify coping mechanisms that are employed by people that are grieving in your community or cultural context.

8. What is the impact of African Religion on how pastoral care is done in your context? In your answer pay attention to terms like healing, dying, witchcraft, spirit possession, showing the influence of the African understanding of suffering.