INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Question ONE is compulsory.
2. Choose any THREE questions. Answer a total of FOUR questions.
3. This paper consists of THREE pages. Please ensure that you have them all.
4. STUDENTS ARE REQUESTED, IN THEIR OWN INTEREST, TO WRITE LEGIBLY

QUESTION 1 - COMPULSORY

1 Name the most common online searching techniques or operators. Explain how each technique functions using examples.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 2

2 (a) Discuss the reasons why bibliography sources are important [10]
(b) Describe the evaluation criteria for bibliographic sources [10]
(c) Give examples of bibliographic sources – CDROM based, online and print [5]

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 3

3 (a) Discuss the criteria for evaluating a reference source such as an encyclopaedia. [15]
(b) Why are theses and conference proceedings regarded as “grey literature”? [10]

(25 Marks)
QUESTION 4

4 Given the range of information sources available, describe the factors that will influence your choice of sources to answer a particular information need in terms of both

(a) the nature of the information need [10]
(b) the characteristics of the sources themselves [15]

Please answer with references to both specific electronic and print sources and give examples to illustrate.

(25 Marks)

QUESTION 5

5 Provide entries for an author-date Reference List or Works Cited List for:


(c) A journal article by Siyanda Kheswa and Ruth Hoskins published in 2012 with the title of Use of the internet by undergraduate third-year students at a South African university in the journal Mousaion, volume 30, issue no.1, pages 120-141. [6]


(25 Marks)
QUESTION 6

6 (a) Discuss the roles of Universal Bibliographic Control (UDC) and the National Bibliographic Control such as the South African National Bibliography (SANB) in the present age of information explosion [20]

(b) Please relate your discussion to the increase in scholarly communication and publication as a result of the Internet revolution

Outline the purposes of bibliographic control [5]

(25 Marks)