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DIPLOMA CLASSES

BMC 2107: COMMUNICATION SKILLS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: APRIL 2015

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of TWO Sections A & B.
- Section A is Compulsory.
- Answer any other **TWO** questions in Section **B**.

This paper consists of Two printed pages.

SECTION A (Compulsory)

QUESTION 1

- a) Define the following terms while giving examples:
 - i) Channel
 - ii) External communication
 - iii) Grapevine
 - iv) Non-verbal communication
 - v) Principles of communication.

(10 marks)

b) State **FIVE** importance of communication.

(5 marks)

c) Discuss any **FIVE** factors to be considered when choosing communication media.

(5 marks)

- d) Explain any **THREE** reasons why most organizations prefer to use written communication over verbal communication. (6 marks)
- e) State any **FOUR** elements of communication.

(4 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any **TWO** questions)

QUESTION 2

a) Explain **FIVE** principles of effective communication.

(10 marks)

b) Discuss any **FIVE** points on how an interviewee is expected to conduct himself/herself during a panel of interviewers. (10 marks)

OUESTION 3

a) Discuss **FIVE** importance of listening in an organization.

(10 marks)

b) Identify and explain **FIVE** characteristics of a good oral communication.

(10 marks)

QUESTION 4

a) Identify and discuss the limitations of upward communication in an organization.

(8 marks)

b) Discuss the SIX vital parts expected in the minutes of a staff's first meeting.

(12 marks)

QUESTION 5

a) Discuss **FIVE** psychological barriers to effective communication.

(10 marks)

b) Discuss the **THREE** stages of interpersonal communication.

(9 marks)