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Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

QUESTION ONE

- A. Briefly explain two components of the 'self' according to C. Rogers (1959) (4mks)
- B. Explain how complementarity effect may lead to interpersonal attraction (4mks)
- C. Briefly explain the concept of mental health (4mks)
- D. Explain three reasons for social loafing (6mks)
- E. By use of examples, give three reasons why people engage in self-resentation. (6mks)
- F. Briefly explain any two personality disorders in cluster C according to DSM-5. (6MKS)

Question 2.

Conformity is a common occurrence in group behavior.

- i. Define conformity (2mks)
- ii. Explain four reasons why people conform to group behavior (4mks)
- iii. By use of examples, explain three ways how a minority can influence group behavior to conformity (6mks)

b. Discuss four characteristics of parents in a family setting that may lead to child abuse. (8mks)

QUESTION THREE

- a. Some people perform better in the presence of others than when they are alone.
 - i. What term is used by social psychologists to refer to the behaviour described above (2mks)
 - ii. Give four reasons why the above phenomenon may occur. (8mks)
- b. Discuss the influence of schools on the psychosocial development of children. (10 mks)

QUESTION FOUR.

- a. Explain how social disadvantages and environmental stress influence psychiatric problems in adults. (8mks)
- b. By use of suitable examples, explain three techniques used to obtain compliance (12mks)

QUESTION FIVE

- A. By use of suitable examples, explain the disadvantages of group decision making (8mks)
- B. Use the equity theory of interpersonal attraction to explain why people establish and maintain relationships. (Give suitable examples) (12mks)