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BMC 4208: COMMUNICATION AND CULTURE

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS

SERIES: JULY 2014 TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

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

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SECTION A (Compulsory)

QUESTION 1

a) Define the following terms:

i) Low context cultureii) High content culture(3 marks)(3 marks)

iii) Ethnocentoism

(3

marks)

iv) Xenophobia (3 marks)

b) Explain **FOUR** distinguish features of culture.

(4 marks)

c) Identify and explain **FOUR** means by which members of a culture communicate with each other.

(4 marks)

- d) i) Distinguish between attitudes and beliefs with the use of examples. (4 marks)
 - ii) Explain **FOUR** attitudes from your community that shape culture. (4 marks)
 - iii) Explain how education and status affect culture. (2 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any **Two** Questions)

QUESTION 2

Describe how culture influences the oral, written and non-verbal communication. (20 marks)

QUESTION 3

Discuss the stages of culture shock and strategies of how to deal with culture shock. (20 marks)

QUESTION 4

Discuss how communication practitioners can benefit from acquiring cross cultural communication skills. (20 marks)