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CONSTRUCTION TECHNICIAN PART I (CTI 11)

BLC 1101: COMMUNICATION SKILLS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2011

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer booklet*

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions

Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Question 1

- a) Briefly explain the communication process (10 marks)
- b) A vacant post has been advertised, write a detailed curriculum vitae to be sent to the company (10 marks)
- c) State:
 - (i) **FOUR** reasons for advertising (4 marks)
 - (ii) **SIX** qualities of a good message (6 marks)

SECTION B (Answer any *TWO* questions from this section)

Question 2

- a) Explain **FOUR** problems that may be encountered in upward communication (4 marks)
- b) State and explain **SIX** essentials of effective communication (6 marks)
- c) Highlight:
 - (i) **FIVE** advantages of verbal communication (5 marks)
 - (ii) Disadvantages of written communication (5 marks)

Question 3

- a) State the **EIGHT** components of minutes (8 marks)
- b) Outline **FOUR** roles of each of the following in a meeting
 - (i) Chairman
 - (ii) Secretary
 - (iii) Treasurer(12 marks)

Question 4

- a) Outline **SIX** barriers to effective communication (6 marks)
- b) State **SIX** qualities of good oral communication (6 marks)
- c) Identify **FOUR** types of interviews and explain the purpose of each (8 marks)

Question 5

- a) Define the following terms
 - (i) Memo

- (ii) Circulars
 - (iii) Agenda
 - (iv) Notices
- (8 marks)

b) Briefly describe the following filing systems:

- (i) Alpha numerical
 - (ii) Subject filing
- (4 marks)

c) (i) State **FOUR** advantages of a questionnaire

- (ii) Outline **FOUR** principles in customer relations
- (8 marks)