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FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF
DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
FIRST SEMESTER 2023/2024
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DBAD 900: CRITICAL THINKING

STREAM: Y1 S1

TIME: 3 HOURS

DAY: MONDAY, 9.00 – 12.00 P.M.

DATE: 27/05/2024

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Do not write anything on this question paper.***
- 2. Answer Questions ONE and any other THREE Question.***

QUESTION ONE

- (a)** You are the managing Director of KICOMI Company based in Nakuru County, you have realized that the company is declining in popularity due to poor public image and you are planning for a remedy. Discuss how you could employ and enhance knowledge interpretation as a remedy for the company. (9 Marks)
- (b)** Explain at least six strategies usually employed for critical thinking. (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- (a)** Apply the dimensions of ideal problem model to solve any current problem of your choice experienced in Kenya. (9 marks)
- (b)** Most of us have been taught that there are two kinds of errors one can commit in testing hypotheses or solving problems.

A type one error arises by saying, for example, that there are significant, differences between the average reading scores of two classes. On the other hand, a two type error arises from saying that these are no significant difference, between the average scores. As a critical thinker give your answer to this scenario. (6 Marks)

QUESTION THREE

(a) 'knowledge translation can be observed as shifts in and among knowledge objects, knowledge forms and knowledge positions' in view of this statement, discuss the various problems usually encountered in transferring knowledge and point out possible ways to overcome these difficulties. (9 Marks)

(b) Explain clearly the six stages required for development as a critical thinker. (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

(a) Identify and given detailed description of the five stages in the knowledge acquisition process. (9 marks)

(b) Provide an elaborative distinction between deductive and inductive arguments by citing examples in each case. (6 marks)

QUESTION FIVE

Think of a paradigm shift as a change from one way of thinking to another and show how it transforms the way people live and work. (15 Marks)