

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF THE POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION SECOND SEMESTER, 2021/2022 (JUNE - SEPTEMBER, 2022)

PGDE 731: COMPUTER STUDIES SPECIAL METHODS

STREAM: Y1 S2 TIME: 2 HOURS

DAY: THURSDAY, 9:00 - 11:00 A.M. DATE: 15/09/2022

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do not write anything on this question paper.

2. Answer question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY - 30 MARKS)

- (a) Give and briefly explain **two negative** contributions of Computer studies to the welfare of mankind. (3 marks)
- (b) With **two** examples, explain the purpose of including Computer studies in the Junior Secondary School Curriculum. (3 marks)
- (c) Discuss four conditions a Computer studies instructional objective should fulfill. (3 marks)
- (d) State any one of the Computer studies 8-4-4 course objectives and write an instructional objectives based on it. (3 marks)
- (e) Distinguish (with two examples for each) between a Facility and a Resource in the teaching of Computer studies. (3 marks)
- (f) Discuss any four (4) benefits associated with the use of computers in secondary schools.

(3 marks)

(g) Discuss four qualities of a good Computer studies teacher. (3 marks)

- (h) i) What is KENET in full?
 ii) Explain the mandate of KENET in education sector (3 marks)
- (i) Explain how portifolio may be used to evaluate learning outcomes in computer studies. (3 marks)
- (j) Explain two purposes of a Computer studies lesson plan. (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) Computer studies (technology) has been introduced into the Competence Based Curriculum at all levels of education in Kenya because of its importance. Discuss. (10 marks)
- (b) Despite the importance of the subject many schools still do not offer the subject. Why?

(5 marks)

(c) Discuss the main challenges faced by teachers in evaluating students taking computer studies in secondary schools. (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Teaching and learning computer studies is inherently constructivist. Discuss. (5 marks)
- (b) The IBL method is one of the teaching methods that can be used in the constructivist approach to teaching and learning of computer studies.

 (5 marks)
 - (c) Discuss the role of the teacher during the IBL class. (5 marks)
 - (d) What should the teacher look for when assessing the completed project? (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Describe the main features of a computer studies scheme of work. (5 marks)
- (b) Discuss why it is very important for a computer studies teacher to assess his/her learners through project work. (6 marks)
- (c) Construct a structured question from the Secondary School Computer studies and make a marking scheme for it. (9 marks)