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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND
SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER

**PROGRAMME : BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN TEXTILE
APPAREL DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT YEAR
II**

COURSE CODE : TADM 206

TITLE OF PAPER : FABRIC CONSTRUCTION

TIME ALLOWED : TWO (2) HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY OTHER
TWO (2) QUESTIONS**

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QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

- a) Discuss **five (5)** characteristics of nonwoven fabrics. (10 Marks)
- b) Give a lesson to a form two class on instructions they would follow to knit 5 cm of following specimens:
i) Increasing and decreasing
ii) Cable stitch
iii) Block stitch
iv) Diamond stitch (4 X 5 = 20 Marks)
- c) Explain the reasons why winding is necessary for some yarns although it is not a value addition process. (10 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 40]

QUESTION 2

- a) Describe **five (5)** advantages of weaving as a fabrication method. (10 Marks)
- b) Explain what happens to the yarn during winding at the:
i) Tension and clearing zone
ii) Winding Zone (6 Marks)
- c) Name and explain causes of **five (5)** defects on woven fabrics. (10 Marks)
- d) Differentiate between pile and napped fabrics. (4 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

QUESTION 3

- a) Compare the methods of processing staple and filament yarns. (10 Marks)
- b) Define the following terms:
- i) A creel
 - ii) A shuttle
 - iii) A pirn
 - iv) A shed
 - v) A reed
- (10 Marks)
- c) Differentiate between the following terms:
- i) Warping and winding
 - ii) Composite and fancy yarns
 - iii) Carding and combing
 - iv) Balanced and unbalanced weaves
 - v) Staple and filament yarns
- (10 marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]

QUESTION 4

- a) Compare the following weave designs: plain, warp, basket, twill and satin weaves on the following properties, assuming the fabric count or linear density are the same.
- i) Tensile strength
 - ii) Hand
 - iii) Tear resistance
- (3 X 5 = 15 Marks)
- b) Explain how the structure of yarns spun using the **three (3)** main methods influence their performance characteristics (3 X 5 = 15 Marks)

[TOTAL MARKS = 30]