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**UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND**

**FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER**

**PROGRAMME: DIPLOMA IN HOME ECONOMICS &  
HOME ECONOMICS EDUCATION  
YEAR I**

**COURSE CODE: FRHD 101**

**TITLE OF PAPER: INTRODUCTION TO  
HOME ECONOMICS**

**TIME ALLOWED: TWO (2) HOURS**

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

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**Question 1**

1. The first definition of Home Economics formulated in 1902 states that:

Home Economics is a study of laws, conditions, principles and ideas; concerned with man's immediate physical environment; and his nature as a social being; and specially of the relation between the two factors.

- a) Elaborate on the underlined words in the above definition. [2 x 9 = 18]  
 b) Explain what the phrase; "especially of the relations between the two factors" refers to. [4]  
 c) Explain what the first part of the definition refers to (up to 1<sup>st</sup> ;) [4]  
 d) Explain what the second part of the definition refers to (up to 2<sup>nd</sup> ;) [4]
2. Explain the Aristotle's model of Home Economics. [10]  
 [Total marks = 40]

**Question 2**

1. Describe the relationship of Home Economics to the following basic disciplines:

Chemistry

Biology

Sociology

Arts

Physics

Psychology

Economics

Philosophy

[2 x 8 = 16]

2. In what way will the study of Home Economics better prepare a student for being:

a) A home maker

b) A career woman

[7 x 2 = 14]

[Total marks = 30]

**Question 3**

1. Trace the historical development of Home Economics in your own country (Swaziland/Botswana). [20]  
 2. Describe five (5) types of families found in Swaziland. [2 x 5 = 10]  
 [Total marks = 30]

**Question 4**

1. Discuss why the following areas are frequently emphasized in Home Economics:
  - a) Clothing textiles and related area
  - b) Family finance and home management
  - c) Child care and development
  - d) Foods and nutrition
  - e) Entrepreneurship in Home Economics

[5 x 6 = 30 marks]