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UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER

PROGRAMME:

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HORTICULTURE YEAR 2

COURSE CODE:

HRT204

TITLE OF PAPER:

VEGETABLE PRODUCTION

TIME ALLOWED:

TWO (2) HOURS

INSTRUCTION:

ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

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Question 1

Discuss five site factors to consider when selecting a vegetable garden

[25 marks]

Question 2

Discuss climatic and cultural requirements of:

(i) Eggplant (Solanum melongena).

[12 marks] [13 marks]

(ii) Potato (Solanum tuberosum).

[25 marks]

Question 3

(a) Explain why Botanical classification is more useful than artificial classification.

[12 marks]

(b) Describe five nutritional components of both baby and conventional vegetables which are important to human health. [13 marks]

[25 marks]

Question 4

Describe agro-climatological requirements of asparagus (Asparagus officinalis) and its potential as an export crop for Swaziland.

[25 marks]

Question 5

Discuss the post-harvest requirements of:

(i) cool season baby vegetables warm season baby vegetables (ii)

[12 marks]

[13 marks]

[25 marks]