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TITLE OF PAPER

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COURSE CODE

CAE 204

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TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTION

ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND FOUR (4) OTHERS.

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QUESTION 1

Answer by writing the letter corresponding to your response.

- i) Communication is personal because
 - A. It ensures feedback
 - B. It involves urgent messages
 - C. It originates from expert sources
 - D. It is from person to person
- ii) Listening and learning can never happen simultaneously because
 - A. Managers don't have time to listen to surbordinates
 - B. They are not the same process
 - C. Hearing is easy; listening is difficult
 - D. None of the above statements
- iii) In counselling, the client
 - A. Is empowered
 - B. Is told what to do
 - C. Is unable to cope with life
 - D. Is given advice by some professional
- iv) Competence is an important dimension of source credibility for
 - A. Dyadic communication
 - B. Small group communication
 - C. Public communication
 - D. All of the above statements
- v) An effective change agent is one who
 - A. Knows what is good for the group
 - B. Co-learns with the group
 - C. Builds upon the knowledge and experience of the group
 - D. (B) and (C) only

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- vi) An interview is a conversation
 - A. Between a journalist and a famous person
 - B. Between a job applicant and an employer
 - C. Between a researcher and a respondent
 - D. All of the above statements
- vii) Failure to listen is a barrier particularly to
 - A. Group communication
 - B. Dyadic communication
 - C. Mass communication
 - D. (A) and (B) only
- viii) Group work is important in adult education settings because
 - A. Adults' listening span is short
 - B. Adults bring rich experiences to the learning encounter
 - C. Both (A) and (B)
 - D. None of the above statements
- ix) Most electronic communication is one way (linear) because
 - A. It is sent by means of high-tech gadgets
 - B. Experts are hard to come by
 - C. There is less chance for feedback
 - D. More jargon is used in framing the message
- x) Stereotyping can be a barrier to communication
 - A. Owing to varying cultural backgrounds
 - B. Owing to varying professional backgrounds
 - C. Owing to low self-esteem, aggressiveness, hostility
 - D. (A) and (B) only

 $[10 \times 2 = 20 \text{ marks}]$

QUESTION 2

Describe a situation in which the communication failed because the channel used was inappropriate.

[20 marks]

QUESTION 3

It is always advisable to make a member of the community the leader of his or her group.

Would it be wise to elect the chief of the area the leader? Explain.

[20 marks]

QUESTION 4

Why do you think the study of communication is essential for a person who is engaged in the type of job you do? Give examples to clarify your answer. [20 marks]

QUESTION 5

Why do you think listening is an essential element in communication? Give typical examples of what would go wrong if people did not listen. [20 marks]

QUESTION 6

Explain what the chairperson needs to do before, during and afer a meeting.

[20 marks]