UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER, JULY 2007

TITLE OF PAPER

CURRICULUM STUDIES IN AFRICAN

LANGUAGES

COURSE CODE

EDC 273/573

STUDENTS

PGCE

TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. THIS PAPER CONTAINS SIX (6)

QUESTIONS.

2. ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY

OTHER THREE QUESTIONS.

3. EACH QUESTION CARRIES 25 MARKS.

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QUESTION 1 (This question is compulsory and must be answered by all candidates)

According to Hertzler (1968), the mother tongue serves very fundamental and important functions within a given society. Using Hertzler's functions of the mother tongue, write a position paper to the director of education in which you argue why siSwati should be a compulsory rather than an optional subject in the Swazi school system.

QUESTION 2

- (a) Identify and discuss two reasons why you may want to use behavioural instructional aims and objectives in your lesson planning. [10 Marks]
- (b) Identify and discuss three criticisms that have been levelled against the use of behavioural instructional aims and objectives. [15 Marks]

QUESTION 3

The new IGCSE programme calls upon teachers to make a paradigm shift from thinking that they are the masters of knowledge and learners are empty vessels. Identify and discuss three teaching methods suggested as a means of making this paradigm shift and access their applicability in the teaching of siSwati. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 4

Write a lesson plan in which you teach the following grammatical concepts:

- (i) Umsuka (Radical)
- (ii) Sivumelwano (Concord)
- (iii) Sicu (Stem) [20 Marks]

Justify your choice of teaching method. [5 Marks]

QUESTION 5

Write short notes on any of two of the following types of discussion:

(i) Panel discussion and debate (12 ½ Marks) (ii) Buzz groups (12 ½ Marks) (iii) Brain storming (12 ½ Marks)

QUESTION 6

Identify and discuss three advantages two limitations of using the project method in mother tongue instruction. (25 Marks)