UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM AND TEACHING

MAIN EXAMINATION PAPER, DECEMBER 2009

TITLE OF PAPER

CURRICULUM STUDIES IN AFRICAN

LANGUAGES

COURSE CODE

EDC 273/573

STUDENTS

PGCE

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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)

The lecture method is not among the teaching methods recommended for the IGCSE programme. Identify and discuss five reasons why this method is discouraged in this programme, especially in mother tongue instruction. [25 Marks]

QUESTION 2

- (a) From a grammatical topic of your choice write out a lesson aim and formulate five behavioural instructional objectives from the lesson aim. [10 Marks]
- (b) Using relevant examples differentiate between the following concepts which are used in language planning, policy and implementation: [15 Marks]
- (i) nationalism vs nationism
- (ii) national language vs official language
- (iii) status planning vs corpus planning

QUESTION 3

- (a) Write short notes on the following types of discussion and suggest how one might use them in teaching siSwati:
 - (i) The panel discussion
 - (ii) Brainstorming
 - (iii)Class discussion

[15 Marks]

(b) According to Mkhonza (1987), there are three reasons why some societies have been forced to relinquish their mother tongue in preference for a foreign language. Identify and discuss any two of these. {10 Marks}

QUESTION 4

- (a) Describe the duties of the siSwati National Board. {10 Marks}
- (b) What are the recommendations of the siSwati Subject Panel and the SiSwati National Board with regard to the country's language policy. What is the basis for their recommendation? [15 Marks]

QUESTION 5

- (a) Identify and discuss three general principles a teacher must observe in order to make effective use of dramatization as a method of teaching. [6 Marks]
- (b) Identify and discuss five advantages of using dramatization in a siSwati class.

[15 Marks]

(c) Discuss two limitations of using dramatization.

[4 Marks]

QUESTION 6

- (a) Identify and discuss five advantages of using the project method in the teaching of siSwati [15 Marks]
- (b) What are the advantages of using behavioural instructional objectives? Discuss two of these. [10 marks]