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TITLE OF PAPER

THEMES IN WORLD HISTORY BEFORE 1800

COURSE CODE

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TIME ALLOWED

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS CHOOSING AT LEAST ONE (1) FROM EACH SECTION.

2. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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SECTION A

QUESTION 1

What environmental factors determined the nature of early settlements in history?

QUESTION 2

To what extent is history related to archaeology and linguistics?

QUESTION 3

Analyze factors in Chinese history that facilitated the fall of the Shang dynasty and the rise of the Chou dynasty.

QUESTION 4

Discuss the extend to which the barbarian factor led to the fall of the Roman State from S. Severus to Diocletain and Constantine.

SECTION B

QUESTION 5

What was the economic and political impact of revivalist movements in China between AD25 and AD221?

QUESTION 6

Discuss the conditions under which iron culture expanded after Meroe in Sub-Equatorial Africa

QUESTION 7

What were the social and economic effects of the trans-Saharan trade on the communities of West Africa?

QUESTION 8

What similarities and dissimilarities existed between feudalism and manorialism between AD9 and AD1328?