UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND FACULTY OF HUMANITIES DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

FINAL EXAMINATIONS, MAY 2007

TITLE OF PAPER: THEMES IN WORLD HISTORY BEFORE 1800

COURSE CODE: H100

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

- 1. Discuss the academic relationship that exists between history and either archaeology or linguistics.
- 2. Analyze the influence of the Egyptian civilization on other world civilizations.
- 3. Discuss the factors along the Nile valley that facilitated the rise of the state of Meroe.
- 4. Discuss the factors that facilitated the rise and fall of the state of Rome.

SECTION B

- 5. Discuss the significance of the revival movements that broke in Wu's time in China to Chinese history?
- 6. What were the political, religious and social problems to the rise and spread of Islam in Saudi Arabia before 600 BC?
- 7. Assess the justifications of some European nations for their expansion beyond their national boundaries before 1800?
- 8. What were the problems that early European settlers encountered in Asia Minor?