UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & PLANNING

FINAL EXAMINATION, DEC. 2007 BASS., B.ED.

TITLE OF PAPER:

POPULATION AND SOCIAL-CULTURAL

GEOGRAPHY

COURSE CODE:

GEP 230

TIME ALLOWED:

THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. ANSWER FOUR (4) QUESTIONS

2. CHOOSE TWO QUESTIONS FROM EACH

SECTIONS

3. WHERE APPROPRIATE, ILLUSTRATE YOUR

ANSWER WITH DIAGRAMS AND EXAMPLES

MARKS ALLOCATION: EACH QUESTION CARRIES TWENTY FIVE (25)

MARKS

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SECTION: A

Answer Any Two Questions from Section A

QUESTION 1

'Developing countries generally have high population growth rates'. Using relevant examples, discuss the consequences of population trends in Swaziland. (25 marks)

QUESTION 2

- a) Explain how female education influences child survival rates and indirectly impact on birth rates. (10 marks)
- b) 'Family planning programmes not only make responsible parenthood easier by giving women control over their own fertility, they also bring substantial benefits to mother and children'. Assess the validity of this statement. (15 marks)

 (25 marks)

QUESTION 3

a) Critically discuss the factors affecting migration.

(20 marks)

b) Explain the most commonly used criteria for classifying movements of people within and out of a country. (05 marks)

(25 marks)

SECTION: B

Answer Any Two Questions from Section B

QUESTION 4

Compare and contrast cultural value systems in the West with those in sub-Saharan Africa. (25 Marks)

QUESTION 5

According to Norton (2006) there are six principal themes in cultural geography. Identify and discuss each theme. (25 Marks)

QUESTION 6

Critically discuss the main socio-cultural factors limiting development in most sub-Saharan African countries. (25 Marks)