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Instructions

1. Answer **all** the questions.
2. Candidates must show insight and critical thinking in their answers to gain high marks.

Question 1: Choose the correct answer for each of the following questions: [6]

1.1 believes that human behaviour is natural, predetermined by genetic, biological, or physiological mechanism, and not subject to change. (1)

- A) Constructionism
- B) Essentialism
- C) Identity
- D) Racial formation

1.2 approaches focus on human agency, subjectivity heterogeneity and they value the trivial, local and everyday human experience. (1)

- A) Postmodern
- B) Humanistic
- C) Positivist
- D) Radical

1.3 The factor contributing to self-construction that influences human beings at the earliest stage of childhood, before any others, is _____. (1)

- A) race
- B) age
- C) gender
- D) ethnicity

1.4 The fact that feminism today is so divided is attributable to the fact that: (1)

- A) women are too busy with their careers and families to concern themselves with such issues.
- B) men have fractionalized the movement.
- C) women have achieved true equality.
- D) women have widely diverse issues.

1.5 How is our social identity formed? (1)

- A) Our sense of social identity is formed by eating healthy food.
- B) Our sense of social identity is formed through biological processes.
- C) Our sense of social identity emerges from chatting with our friends on social media.
- D) Our sense of social identity arises out of our interaction with others to develop our identity based on what others think of us as well as our own perceptions of ourselves.

1.6 Women's ability to give birth to babies while men do not is determined by: (1)

- A) sex
- B) gender
- C) womanhood
- D) femininity

Question 2: Identity and Space [10]

2.1 Write a brief summary on what the body as a project is about. (4)

2.2 Use appropriate examples to explain the *essentialist* and *constructionist* views of the body. (6)

Question 3: Geographies of Gender and Sexuality [15]

3.1 'One is not *born*, but *becomes* a woman'. Use the feminist perspective to briefly explain this view. (3)

3.2 Describe the three radical perspectives of geographies of gender and sexuality. (6)

3.3 Briefly analyse the role and position of women in rural and urban societies of Namibia. (6)

Question 4: Geography of Disability [10]

4.1 Briefly evaluate the economic position of people with disabilities. (6)

4.2 Explain and exemplify social reproduction of disability through stares and stairs. (4)

Question 5: Community and Transformation of Society [6]

5.1 Distinguish between community and society. (2)

5.2 With reference to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, discuss two examples of how cyberspaces and cyber communities work as critical infrastructure. (4)

Question 6: Crime, Space and Inequality [12]

6.1 Discuss the relationship between crime, poverty and unemployment in Windhoek. (6)

6.2 Describe rural-urban contrast in terms of housing, health, education, social and cultural characteristics of human settlements (6)

Question 7: Geographies of Poverty and Medicine Geography [11]

7.1 Namibia ranks among the countries with the highest Gini coefficient in the world. Explain the meaning of this statement. (5)

7.2 Describe any three measures, corresponding to reduced income disparity, which may improve the nutritional status of the urban poor. (6)

END OF EXAMINATION