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QUALIFICATION: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE					
QUALIFICATION CODE: BAGA		LEVEL: 7			
COURSE CODE: RRG611S		COURSE NAME: RANGELAND REGENERATION			
SESSION:	JULY 2023	PAPER:	THEORY		
DURATION:	3 HOURS	MARKS:	100		

SECOND OPPORTUNITY/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER			
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	INSTRUCTIONS
1.	Answer ALL the questions.
2.	Write clearly and neatly.
3.	Number the answers clearly.

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS

- 1. Examination question paper
- 2. Answering book

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 3 PAGES (Including this front page)

1.	Define the following:	(3)	
	(a) Decreaser species		
	(b) Increaser II species (c) Benchmarks		
2.	(c) Benchmarks Label the leaf bases below (a-g): -		
	a b c d		
	WPP		
	e f g		
3.	Discuss how a farmer in the Omaheke region can set-up a benchmark in his farm and how he will benefit from setting-up the said benchmark. Currently, his farm has 7000ha of rangeland but it fails to support 100 Large Stock Units from one rainfall season to the next.	[8]	
4.	How do you determine if a leaf is simple or compound?	[4]	
5.	Suppose that during a drought, and grass species A is still alive in both the benchmark and the surroundings, grass species B is found to have died in both the benchmark and the continuously grazed surroundings, grass species C is found to have died out in the surroundings but survived in the benchmark: a. Which species is resistant to continuous grazing? b. Which is likely to be a mesophyte? c. Which species is likely to be a palatable xerophyte? d. Which species is likely to be an unpalatable xerophyte? e. Which species would you collect seeds from to re-establish in the surrounding areas after the introduction of good grazing management?		
6.	Name any 2 plant species with compound leaves and any 2 with simple leaves? (Scientific names only).	[4]	
7.	Name any 2 plant species with paripinnate compound leaves and any 2 with imparipinnate compound leaves? (Scientific names only).	[4]	
8.	Suppose a farmer with rangeland of 9000ha estimates at the end of the growing season that a representative square with sides of 45m is required by one LSUday and that the dry season will last for 250 days.	[10]	
9.	Draw and fully label a flower and its parts; inferior vs superior.	[10]	

10.	Suppose a rangeland of 12000ha yields an average of 70gDM/m2. Using the objective method, calculate the number of Large Stock Unit (LSU) and Small Stock Unit (SSU) that the farmer should stock for that year?	[10]
	Differentiate between assumptions of the Subjective and Objective methods of grazing capacity estimations.	[10]
11.	Explain rangeland management that could cause cattle not to conceive.	[10]
12.	Suppose that monitoring by a farmer shows that, in order to prevent overgrazing, the maximum grazing period should not exceed 40 days while the minimum rest period should be at least 160 days.	[6]
13.	How can you combine herding and fencing to effectively benefit on your farm?	[4]
14.	Describe the main methods used for control of bush and weed encroachment.	[5]