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<b>SUPPLEMENTARY / SECOND OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER</b>	
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<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Answer ALL five (5) questions.</li><li>2. Read all questions carefully before answering.</li><li>3. Number your answers clearly.</li><li>4. Make sure your student number appears on the answering script.</li></ol>

**PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS**

1. Examination paper.
2. Examination script.
3. Calculator

**THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 7 PAGES** (Including this front page)

**SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION**

**50 MARKS**

**QUESTION 1**

**[20]**

Define or explain what you understand by the following terms:

1.1 Monograph (5)

1.2 Peer-reviewed article (5)

1.3 Grey literature (5)

1.4 Popular literature (5)

**QUESTION 2**

**[10]**

Classify the following type of literature into anyone of the three classes: scholarly, popular or grey.

- 2.1 Journal of Linguistics (1)
- 2.2 Farmers weekly (1)
- 2.3 Basic research methodology study guide (1)
- 2.4 The Namibian (1)
- 2.5 Informante (1)
- 2.6 African geography (1)
- 2.7 The New Scientist (1)
- 2.8 Mini-thesis (1)
- 2.9 A Pamphlet (1)
- 2.10 Introduction to Chemistry (a textbook) (1)

**Question 3**

**[20]**

Discuss with own examples citing, quoting and paraphrasing and why they are important in academic writing.

SECTION B: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

50 MARKS

**QUESTION 4**

**[10]**

Choose **only one** right answer from the given choices (**A to D**) of each question below:

- 4.1 As a general rule, the \_\_\_\_\_ is the best measure of central tendency because it is more precise. (2)
- A. Mean
  - B. Median
  - C. Mode
  - D. Range
- 4.2 Which of the following is NOT a measure of variability? (2)
- A. Median
  - B. Variance
  - C. Standard deviation
  - D. Range
- 4.3 In a grouped frequency distribution, the upper boundary is: (2)
- A. Part of that class
  - B. The highest possible value of that class
  - C. Not part of that class
  - D. The lowest possible value of that class
- 4.4 The standard deviation is: (2)
- A. The square root of the variance
  - B. A measure of variability
  - C. An approximate indicator of how numbers vary from the mean
  - D. All of the above
- 4.5 Approximately what percentage of scores fall within one standard deviation of the mean in a normal distribution? (2)
- A. 34%
  - B. 95%
  - C. 99%
  - D. 68%

**QUESTION 5****[40]**

The table below shows marks obtained by 32 students in an examination. The marks are assumed to be normally distributed ( $N(0,1)$ ).

75	45	55	70	80	70	95	45	65	50	60	80	45	45	65	65
55	33	80	58	50	46	55	73	90	70	65	60	85	66	35	40

Determine:

- 5.1 The standard deviation (2)
- 5.2 The z-score of a student with a mark of 81.5% (2)
- 5.3 What was the number of students that scored less than 60 % at 95% confidence interval? (14)
- 5.4 Determine the number of students above 75% (6)
- 5.5 Sketch standard normal curves showing the areas under the curve not represented in question (b) and (c) above. (16)

**THE END**

Total Marks: 100

## APPENDIX 1: STATISTICAL FORMULAS

$$Z = \frac{X - \bar{X}}{S}$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$$

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

$$i = \left( \frac{p}{100} \right) n$$

$$r_{xy} = \frac{N\sum XY - \sum X \sum Y}{\sqrt{(N\sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2)(N\sum Y^2 - (\sum Y)^2)}}$$

APPENDIX 2: Z-SCORE TABLES

POSITIVE STANDARD NORMAL PROBABILITIES

$z$	.00	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
0.0	.5000	.5040	.5080	.5120	.5160	.5199	.5239	.5279	.5319	.5359
0.1	.5398	.5438	.5478	.5517	.5557	.5596	.5636	.5675	.5714	.5753
0.2	.5793	.5832	.5871	.5910	.5948	.5987	.6026	.6064	.6103	.6141
0.3	.6179	.6217	.6255	.6293	.6331	.6368	.6406	.6443	.6480	.6517
0.4	.6554	.6591	.6628	.6664	.6700	.6736	.6772	.6808	.6844	.6879
0.5	.6915	.6950	.6985	.7019	.7054	.7088	.7123	.7157	.7190	.7224
0.6	.7257	.7291	.7324	.7357	.7389	.7422	.7454	.7486	.7517	.7549
0.7	.7580	.7611	.7642	.7673	.7704	.7734	.7764	.7794	.7823	.7852
0.8	.7881	.7910	.7939	.7967	.7995	.8023	.8051	.8078	.8106	.8133
0.9	.8159	.8186	.8212	.8238	.8264	.8289	.8315	.8340	.8365	.8389
1.0	.8413	.8438	.8461	.8485	.8508	.8531	.8554	.8577	.8599	.8621
1.1	.8643	.8665	.8686	.8708	.8729	.8749	.8770	.8790	.8810	.8830
1.2	.8849	.8869	.8888	.8907	.8925	.8944	.8962	.8980	.8997	.9015
1.3	.9032	.9049	.9066	.9082	.9099	.9115	.9131	.9147	.9162	.9177
1.4	.9192	.9207	.9222	.9236	.9251	.9265	.9279	.9292	.9306	.9319
1.5	.9332	.9345	.9357	.9370	.9382	.9394	.9406	.9418	.9429	.9441
1.6	.9452	.9463	.9474	.9484	.9495	.9505	.9515	.9525	.9535	.9545
1.7	.9554	.9564	.9573	.9582	.9591	.9599	.9608	.9616	.9625	.9633
1.8	.9641	.9649	.9656	.9664	.9671	.9678	.9686	.9693	.9699	.9706
1.9	.9713	.9719	.9726	.9732	.9738	.9744	.9750	.9756	.9761	.9767
2.0	.9772	.9778	.9783	.9788	.9793	.9798	.9803	.9808	.9812	.9817
2.1	.9821	.9826	.9830	.9834	.9838	.9842	.9846	.9850	.9854	.9857
2.2	.9861	.9864	.9868	.9871	.9875	.9878	.9881	.9884	.9887	.9890
2.3	.9893	.9896	.9898	.9901	.9904	.9906	.9909	.9911	.9913	.9916
2.4	.9918	.9920	.9922	.9925	.9927	.9929	.9931	.9932	.9934	.9936
2.5	.9938	.9940	.9941	.9943	.9945	.9946	.9948	.9949	.9951	.9952
2.6	.9953	.9955	.9956	.9957	.9959	.9960	.9961	.9962	.9963	.9964
2.7	.9965	.9966	.9967	.9968	.9969	.9970	.9971	.9972	.9973	.9974
2.8	.9974	.9975	.9976	.9977	.9977	.9978	.9979	.9979	.9980	.9981
2.9	.9981	.9982	.9982	.9983	.9984	.9984	.9985	.9985	.9986	.9986
3.0	.9987	.9987	.9987	.9988	.9988	.9989	.9989	.9989	.9990	.9990
3.1	.9990	.9991	.9991	.9991	.9992	.9992	.9992	.9992	.9993	.9993
3.2	.9993	.9993	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9995	.9995	.9995
3.3	.9995	.9995	.9995	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9997
3.4	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9998

NEGATIVE STANDARD NORMAL PROBABILITIES

$z$	.00	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
-3.4	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0002
-3.3	.0005	.0005	.0005	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0003
-3.2	.0007	.0007	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0005	.0005	.0005
-3.1	.0010	.0009	.0009	.0009	.0008	.0008	.0008	.0008	.0007	.0007
-3.0	.0013	.0013	.0013	.0012	.0012	.0011	.0011	.0011	.0010	.0010
-2.9	.0019	.0018	.0018	.0017	.0016	.0016	.0015	.0015	.0014	.0014
-2.8	.0026	.0025	.0024	.0023	.0023	.0022	.0021	.0021	.0020	.0019
-2.7	.0035	.0034	.0033	.0032	.0031	.0030	.0029	.0028	.0027	.0026
-2.6	.0047	.0045	.0044	.0043	.0041	.0040	.0039	.0038	.0037	.0036
-2.5	.0062	.0060	.0059	.0057	.0055	.0054	.0052	.0051	.0049	.0048
-2.4	.0082	.0080	.0078	.0075	.0073	.0071	.0069	.0068	.0066	.0064
-2.3	.0107	.0104	.0102	.0099	.0096	.0094	.0091	.0089	.0087	.0084
-2.2	.0139	.0136	.0132	.0129	.0125	.0122	.0119	.0116	.0113	.0110
-2.1	.0179	.0174	.0170	.0166	.0162	.0158	.0154	.0150	.0146	.0143
-2.0	.0228	.0222	.0217	.0212	.0207	.0202	.0197	.0192	.0188	.0183
-1.9	.0287	.0281	.0274	.0268	.0262	.0256	.0250	.0244	.0239	.0233
-1.8	.0359	.0351	.0344	.0336	.0329	.0322	.0314	.0307	.0301	.0294
-1.7	.0446	.0436	.0427	.0418	.0409	.0401	.0392	.0384	.0375	.0367
-1.6	.0548	.0537	.0526	.0516	.0505	.0495	.0485	.0475	.0465	.0455
-1.5	.0668	.0655	.0643	.0630	.0618	.0606	.0594	.0582	.0571	.0559
-1.4	.0808	.0793	.0778	.0764	.0749	.0735	.0721	.0708	.0694	.0681
-1.3	.0968	.0951	.0934	.0918	.0901	.0885	.0869	.0853	.0838	.0823
-1.2	.1151	.1131	.1112	.1093	.1075	.1056	.1038	.1020	.1003	.0985
-1.1	.1357	.1335	.1314	.1292	.1271	.1251	.1230	.1210	.1190	.1170
-1.0	.1587	.1562	.1539	.1515	.1492	.1469	.1446	.1423	.1401	.1379
-0.9	.1841	.1814	.1788	.1762	.1736	.1711	.1685	.1660	.1635	.1611
-0.8	.2119	.2090	.2061	.2033	.2005	.1977	.1949	.1922	.1894	.1867
-0.7	.2420	.2389	.2358	.2327	.2296	.2266	.2236	.2206	.2177	.2148
-0.6	.2743	.2709	.2676	.2643	.2611	.2578	.2546	.2514	.2483	.2451
-0.5	.3085	.3050	.3015	.2981	.2946	.2912	.2877	.2843	.2810	.2776
-0.4	.3446	.3409	.3372	.3336	.3300	.3264	.3228	.3192	.3156	.3121
-0.3	.3821	.3783	.3745	.3707	.3669	.3632	.3594	.3557	.3520	.3483
-0.2	.4207	.4168	.4129	.4090	.4052	.4013	.3974	.3936	.3897	.3859
-0.1	.4602	.4562	.4522	.4483	.4443	.4404	.4364	.4325	.4286	.4247
-0.0	.5000	.4960	.4920	.4880	.4840	.4801	.4761	.4721	.4681	.4641