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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER December 2016:

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN PRIMARY EDUCATION

COURSE NUMBER: PED609

COURSE NAME: TEACHING & ASSESSING SCIENCE AT PRIMARY SCHOOL
LEVEL

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

- INSTRUCTIONS:**
1. THIS PAPER HAS **FIVE** QUESTIONS.
 2. ANSWER ANY **FOUR** QUESTIONS.
 3. EACH QUESTION IS WORTH 25 MARKS.
 4. DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN SOME OF THE QUESTIONS ARE ATTACHED. IF YOU DO NOT FIND THEM, ASK FOR THEM.
 5. ANY PIECE OF WRITTEN WORK WHICH IS NOT FOR MARKING PURPOSES MUST BE CROSSED OUT CLEARLY.

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Answer **four** questions from this paper.

Question 1

Supposing you are required to explain the concept of Assessment to beginning teachers in a workshop, show **how** you would do so and **what** content you would cover during this workshop. [25 Marks]

Question 2

Discuss the value of the following types of assessment

- a. Assessment of learning
- b. Assessment for learning
- c. Assessment with learning
- d. Performance assessment
- e. Authentic assessment.

[25 Marks]

Question 3

Study the activity in Appendix A and

- a. Describe the approach to assessment that would be appropriate. (10)
- b. Design an instrument to make sure the assessment is authentic. (15)

[25 Marks]

Question 4

Standardised testing is said to be authentic. Discuss what this means in the Swazi context. [25 Marks]

Question 5

Discuss the merits and demerits of online assessment.

[25 Marks]