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TITLE OF PAPER

BUILDING COINSTRUCTION

TECHNOLOGY PART B

COURSE CODE

EHS 206

DURATION

3 HOURS

MARKS

100

INSTRUCTIONS

THIS PAPER CONTAINS SEVEN

QUESTIONS

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ANSWER FIVE QUESTIONS

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QUESTION FOUR AND SEVEN ARE

COMPULSORY

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USE A PEN TO COMPLETE ALL PARTS OF

THE ANSWER BOOK PROVIDED

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EACH QUESTION CARRIES 20 MARKS

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QUESTION 1

[20 MARKS]

a. Explain, what is meant by the term seasoning of timber [4 MARKS]

- b. Discuss, stating the merits and demerits of the following types of timber preservatives:
 - i. Water soluble preservatives
 - ii. Organic solvent preservatives

[8 MARKS]

- c. There are various methods of timber preservatives in use today. Explain the following methods of timber preservations:
 - i. Open tank application
 - ii. Pressure application

[8 MARKS]

QUESTION 2

[20 MARKS]

- a. State TEN factors that deserve consideration when selecting a floor finish
 [10 MARKS]
- b. Outline FIVE functional requirements of the following types of floors:

i. Ground floors

[5MARKS]

ii Upper floors

[5 MARKS]

QUESTION 3

[20 MARKS]

- a. Outline **TEN** functional requirements of all forms of Infill Panel Walls

 [10 MARKS]
- b. State FIVE advantages and THREE disadvantages of Curtain walling [8MARKS]
- c. Briefly explain the meaning of Curtain Walling

[2 MARKS]

QUESTION 4

[20 MARKS]

Differentiate between a sketch and a drawing. a.

[4 MARKS]

- b. Outline SIX basic rules to be observed by students in a drawing office when producing sketches. [6 MARKS]
- Illustrate in isometric view, a one-brick wall built in English bond with a C. corner and with a one stopped end, to six course high with 1st and 2nd course plans.

[10MARKS]

QUESTION 5

[20 MARKS]

Explain, with the aid of a sketch, the term "concrete cover", stating why the a. reinforcement bars are hooked

[4 MARKS]

b. With the aid of a sketch illustrate the two forces acting on a concrete lintel and state how you would overcome the problem of failing due to loads on it

[4 MARKS]

Discuss, how a slump test is carried out on site, on fresh concrete C.

[10 MARKS]

d. Explain the following terms:

> i. **Building line** ii.

[2 MARKS] [2MARKS]

Datum peg

QUESTION 6

[20 MARKS]

A major task for the designer of a building is to carefully consider the drainage of effluents.

- a. With the aid of sketches where appropriate, define the following terms:
 - i. Subsoil water
 - ii. Surface water
 - iii. Foul or soil water
 - iv. Drains
 - v. Partially separate system

[10 MARKS]

b. To a scale 1 : 20 draw the plan and section of a manhole using the following specification:

External length	-	1200mm
Internal width	-	900mm
Wall thickness	-	150mm
Render	-	15mm
Concrete base slab thickness	-	150mm
Top concrete slab	-	100mm
Depth from bottom of concrete slab to invert level	-	1200mm
Manhole frames	-	450 x 450mm

[10 MARKS]

QUESTION 7

[20 marks]

- a. Utilizing the attached working drawing and provided dimension paper, take-off and square dimensions for the following:
 - 1. Excavation of the vegetable topsoil
 - 2. Disposal of the excavated spoil
 - 3. Excavation of foundations
 - 4. Risk of collapse or trench timbering
 - 5. Concrete in foundations
 - 6. Block work to dpc level

[12 MARKS]

- b. With reference to the attached working drawing calculate:
 - Number of ceiling boards to be ordered for the living room, when one asbestos ceiling measures 3.6m x 1.2 m, allowing 2.5% for cutting and breakage

[4MARKS]

iii. The number of PVA tiles for bedroom 1 and 2, to be ordered, assuming 12 tiles in one square metre, allowing 2% for cutting

[4MARKS]

