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2014/2015 EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER: MAIN

TITLE OF PAPER: NEWS REPORTING

COURSE CODE: JMC 217

TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer **THREE (3)** Questions.

Question One (1) is compulsory.

Use your own example to illustrate answers.

QUESTION 1 (COMPULSORY)

Accuracy, Fairness and Balance are crucial in news reporting. Discuss reasons why this is so using examples.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 2

Compare and contrast the different types of news reports

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 3

A story breaks that there has been an accident involving at least 5 cars on Malagwane Hill. Your editor assigns you to cover the story for the morning, midday and afternoon news. Demonstrate how you would report the story as it unfolds for radio.

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 4

Identify a story, describe which newsmakers you would interview for a newspaper report and why?

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 5

Discuss at least five elements of investigative reporting?

(20 Marks)

QUESTION 6

In news gathering, where do reporters gather information /facts from? Elaborate and explain how different news sources should be utilized.

(20 Marks)