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General Certificate of Education Ordinary Level

AGRICULTURE

4001/2

PAPER 2

NOVEMBER 2019 SESSION

2 hours

Additional materials:

Answer sheet,

Scientific calculator.

TIME 2 hours

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces at the top of this page and on all separate answer paper used.

Section A

Answer all questions.

Write your answers in the spaces provided on the question paper.

Section B

Answer two questions, one from each of Options 1 and 2. Write your answers on the separate answer paper provided. At the end of the examination, fasten the separate answer paper securely to the question paper.

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INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The marks are given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

You are advised to spend no longer than 80 minutes on Section A.

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SECTION A [60 marks]

Answer all questions in this section.

Candidates are advised to spend approximately 80 minutes on this section.

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(c)	Distinguish between indigenous hardwood and exotic softwood.	. 1
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(a)	List any two sources of irrigation water.	
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(b)	State any three ways of improving soil structure.	
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(c)	Explain the importance of soil water.	
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(d)	Distinguish between gravitational and capillary water.	

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(b)	Explain how a contour ridge reduces soil erosion in arable land.	edas (Assessed
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(c)	State any three factors that affect the choice of an irrigation system.	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

(a)	State any four advantages of asexual propagation.	

(b)	Discuss any three benefits of weeds.	
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(c)	Assess the effectiveness of biological pest control.	
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(a)	Identify tools used for the following fencing processes:	
	(i) straining wire,	
	(ii) cutting wire.	[1]
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(b)	Outline the routine maintenance of an irrigation pump.	
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(4)	Distinguish between field capacity and hygroscopic moisture.	
(d)	Distinguish between held capacity and hygroscopic moisture.	
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(a)	Explain principles of agricultural cooperatives in Zimbabwe.	

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SECTION B [40 marks]

Answer two questions only, one question from each of Options 1 and 2.

OPTION 1: CROP HUSBANDRY

7	(a)	Describe any five branches of horticulture.	[8]
	(b)	Discuss why deciduous fruit trees are prunned.	[7]
	(c)	Describe the preparation of a planting hole for a named fruit tree.	[5]
8	(a)	Describe the management of a named cereal crop from germination to maturity.	[10]
	(b)	Discuss the storage of a named legume crop after harvesting.	[10]
9	(a)	Explain four factors considered when selecting a suitable site for an orchard.	[10]
	b)	Examine the marketing strategies employed in cut flowers or fruits in Zimbabwe.	[10]

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OPTION 2: ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

1	0	(a)	Describe the slaughtering and dressing of either rabbits/layers/indigenous chickens.	[8]
		(b)	Discuss the importance of hygiene during the slaughtering of the animal in (2).	[9]
		(c)	A live bird weighs 2,5 kg. After dressing its carcass weighs 2.0 kg. Calculate the dressing percentage.	[3]
	11	(a)	Describe the nutritional requirements of either a pig or donkey.	[10]
		(b)	Discuss a named bacterial disease of livestock under the following sub- headings:	
			(i) Name of disease,	[1]
			(ii) causal agent,	[1]
			(iii) signs and symptoms,	[4]
			(iv) prevention and control.	[4]
	12	(a)	Describe characteristics that make exotic breeds of cattle suitable for Zimbabwe.	[10]
		(b)	Discuss natural and artificial acquired immunity.	[10]

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