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SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2015 EXAMINATION

Course Code: AEM 311

Course Title: Introduction to Rural Life

Time Allowed: 2 Hours

Instructions: Answer any FOUR questions. All questions carry equal marks

1.
 - a. Define a rural community.(6 marks)
 - b. State two reasons why we study rural life. (2 marks)
 - c. Recall and explain five characteristics of rural areas. (10 marks)
 - d. Classify the types of settlement in the Rural-Urban Continuum Nigeria.(7 marks)
2.
 - a. Describe five differences between Urban and Rural areas (10 marks)
 - b. Identify five sources of credit and discuss any three. (8 marks)
 - c. Define the following terms:
 - i. Social Interaction (2 marks)
 - ii. Social Control (2 marks)
 - iii. Social Solidarity (2 marks)
3.
 - a. Outline and discuss the different types of economic activities that exist in rural areas. (18 marks)
 - b. List eight methods of passing information from the extension workers to the farmers. (7 marks)
4.
 - a. Relate five problems of rural areas. (15 marks)
 - b. Name seven types of associations in rural areas and explain any three.(10 marks)
5.
 - a. Define “Quality of human life” (3 marks)
 - b. Explain five factors that determine quality of rural life. (15 marks)
 - c. Indicate four (4) ways in which people belief in mysterious powers and explain any three. (7 marks)
6.
 - a. Explain the term Poverty. (3 marks)

- b. State four (4) types of poverty. (12 marks)
- c. Mention five causes of poverty. (5 marks)
- d. State five strategies for poverty reduction. (5 marks)