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**MARCH/APRIL 2016 EXAMINATION**  
**SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES**

**Course Code: AEM311 Credit Unit: 2**

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

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