



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF FASHION DESIGN AND MARKETING

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (FASHION DESIGN AND MARKETING)

HFM 206: INTRODUCTION TO TEXTILE FURNISHING

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

- i) *This paper consists of five questions.*
- ii) *Answer Question 1 and any other two questions.*
- iii) *Question 1=20 marks*
- iv) *Question 2 to 5=15 marks each*

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (20 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms
 - i. Soft furnishings. (1 mark)
 - ii. Triad colour scheme. (1 mark)
 - iii. Enamelling. (1 mark)
 - iv. Corporate designers. (1 mark)
- b) Paints are made up of a mixture of four important ingredients. Name and explain the functions of each ingredient. (4 marks)
- c) Name three (3) levels at which curtain length measurements may be established. (3 marks)
- d) State three (3) functions of each of the following soft furnishings in a home.
 - i. Scatter cushions. (3 marks)
 - ii. Dining table mats/ placemats. (3 marks)
- e) State three (3) advantages of using the linen fabric for dining table cloths. (3 marks)

QUESTION TWO (15 MARKS)

- a) What functional qualities should one bear in mind when selecting textiles for upholstery covering. (10 marks)

- b) Explain five (5) reasons why foam would be an appropriate textile to use as padding, carpet backing, cushion and mattress filling material. (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE (15 MARKS)

- a) What are the advantages of a duvet cover. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss five (5) factors to bear in mind when choosing a lampshade. (5 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (15 MARKS)

- a) Clearly explain and calculate the amount of fabric you would require to make a fitted bed sheet for a bed whose mattress size is 72 inches long, 36 inches wide, and 6 inches deep.
N.B. The hem allowance is 2 inches and the tuck in allowance is 6 inches. (5 marks)
- b) Explain ten (10) qualities of good bed sheet fabric. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (15 MARKS)

- a) Discuss ten (10) benefits of lining draperies or curtains. (10 marks)
- b) Describe five (5) weaknesses of Acetate that would limit its use for textile furnishings. (5 marks)