



UNIVERSITY OF JOHANNESBURG

JUNE 2018 EXAM

COURSE: Anthropology 2A

TIME: 16:30pm

DATE: 12-06-2018

DURATION: 2 hours

PAPER: 1

MARKS: 100 marks

SUBJECT CODE: ATL2A11 & ATL2AA2

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THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 4 PAGES.

THIS EXAM HAS TWO SECTIONS: SECTION A AND SECTION B.

ANSWER SECTION A ON A SEPARATE SCRIPT PROVIDED

ANSWER SECTION B ON A SEPARATE SCRIPT PROVIDED

THE ANSWER SCRIPT AND THE EXAM PAPER MUST BE HANDED BACK AT THE END OF THE EXAM, WITH YOUR DETAILS WRITTEN ON THEM.

SECTION A: ENVIRONMENTAL ANTHROPOLOGY

ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS IN THE ANSWER SCRIPT PROVIDED
ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED

- 1) How much of the Earth is covered in water? (2)
- 2) Name and discuss the five sub-fields of environmental anthropology. (5)
- 3) Discuss anthropogenic climate change in detail. (2)
- 4) Discuss the formation of El Nino and its impacts on global weather patterns? (5)
- 5) Provide a detailed explanation of how wealthier people suffer lesser consequences of changes to climate than poorer people. (4)
- 6) According to the 4th IPCC Assessment Report, there is already evidence that Africa is heating up faster than the global average, and this is likely to continue (IPCC, 2007). Explain **WHY** this is in a few sentences. (3)
- 7) Discuss the Anthropocene, highlighting whether you believe in its existence or not? (3)
- 8) Discuss Tsembaga ritual cycle (Pigs for the Ancestors) (10)
- 9) Why is seed sovereignty important for the future of food security? (3)
- 10) What is biodiversity; Why is it important? (3)
- 11) Why is it important to incorporate local worldviews into biodiversity conservation and rural development objectives? (4)
- 12) Discuss why most trees found in Johannesburg are not indigenous. (3)

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- 13) We estimate that by 2050, the planet will be packed with 9 billion people. How do we feed 9 billion people, using alternative protein sources? (3)

SECTION B: SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS

Complete this section in the examination booklet.

Note the different marks for the questions and allocate your time accordingly.

Answer all questions.

- 1) What is a symbol, and why are anthropologists interested in symbols when studying religion? [2]
- 2) Name three different kinds of religious symbols, and provide an example of each kind [6]
- 3) What is the difference between "world" religion and "primal" religion? (Discuss their main features) [6].
- 4) What does the term hegemony mean? [1]
- 5) In anthropology, what does the term emic mean? [1].
- 6) Explain what 'Prosperity Gospel' is? [4]
- 7) Discuss why the animal in the picture below is a 'witch-familiar'? What does it symbolise? [4]



- 8) In terms of the **Maori culture**, what is the proper way to greet other people? [1].

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- 9) According to the Maori group, the right and left-hand sides have different meanings. What each side is associated with? [4].
- 10) Discuss the strange relationship between the Brahmin group, also known as the Havik, and a group called Untouchables of India? [4]
- 11) How does Mary Douglas define "dirt"? [2].
- 12) Define and provide one example of only three (3) of the five (5) negative strategies for dealing with ambiguous or anomalous events? [6].
- 13) How does Mary Douglas define medical materialism? In your answer provide one example of this approach? [2].
- 14) What is your understanding by these three types of religious experiences (1) **Cosmic Religion**, (2) **Acosmic Religion** and (3) **Historical Religion**? [3]
- 15) According to Victor Turner, what is the function of rituals? [1]
- 16) What is Herbert Spencer's understanding about the origins of religion? [1].
- 17) Why was the "Church" outraged by Charles Darwin's theory of human evolution? [1].
- 18) How does Edward Tylor define religion? [1].

TOTAL SECTION B: 50 MARKS