



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

EDU 211: INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS

2ND SEMESTER 2022/2023

TIME: 2 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and any other Two questions

1. Ratury Sub-Location chief Mr. Mulumbeny was last Sunday addressing members of the public during a baraza. He was concerned that over 30 percent of the school going boys have dropped out of school. He said that most of them are seen fishing along the coastal region while others are abusing drugs and marrying at an early age. He therefore encouraged parents to guide their children accordingly. Further, he asked parents to find out why they are dropping out of school so that a solution can be arrived at. He asked to be given the results of the findings

As a researcher in this sub location, explain how you go about solving this problem by answering the following questions

- a) Write a possible title of the study showing the variables clearly? (2 marks)
- b) Write the problem of the study? (2 marks)
- c) Indicate two objectives of the study (4 marks)
- d) Write down two questions that the study will answer (4 marks)
- e) Draw a conceptual framework of the proposed study (4 marks)
- f) Give two reasons why you need to review related literature (4 marks)
- g) State 2 tools you can use to collect data and why? (4 marks)
- h) State one appropriate sampling method you can use and why? (4 marks)
- i) Indicate one way you can disseminate the research findings (1 mark)

- j) Name one category of people you can disseminate the research findings to (1 mark)
- k) What could be the 2 benefits of conducting that research (2 marks)
2. Your County has been experiencing secondary school strikes. You have been asked to conduct a research on the same and give your findings to the Cabinet Secretary. Describe the various research steps you would use when conducting the research study. (15 marks)
3. Fatuma has been tasked to carry out a research in her school on the issues of discipline and peer pressure.
- a) Discuss 3 methods Fatuma will use to collect the required data (6 marks)
- b) Discuss three appropriate sampling procedures Fatuma is likely to use (9 marks)
4. Joy line went to the field to administer questionnaires of a study she is conducting. She realized that most of the respondents were not willing to fill in the questionnaires.
- a) Discuss five possible reasons that could be the cause (10 marks)
- b) Highlight 5 ways you can ensure that respondents confidently fill in the questionnaires. (5 marks)
5. a) Discuss five importance of conducting an educational research as school teacher (10 marks)
- b) Highlight five challenges researchers are likely to face in the field while collecting data (5 marks)