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EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL
EDUCATION)

PSE 402: RESEARCH METHODS

DATE: TUESDAY, 28TH DECEMBER 2010

TIME: 2.00 P.M. - 4.00 P.M.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer ALL questions in Section A and TWO questions in Section B.

SECTION A

Answer ALL questions in this section. Total marks Thirty (30 Marks)

1. What is the rationale for research in special education based on the work of Creswell (2005)? (6 marks)
2. Describe the four sources of knowledge generally recognized by epistemologists. (6 marks)
3. Outline three characteristics of good research questions. (6 marks)
4. Differentiate the two types of hypotheses. (4 marks)
5. Describe two quantitative research methods. (4 marks)
6. Describe two probability sampling methods. (4 marks)

SECTION B

Answer **TWO** questions in this section. Total marks forty (40 Marks)

7. Discuss **four** modes of data collection used in surveys. **(20 marks)**
8. Discuss **two** types of qualitative research methods. **(20 marks)**
9. (a) Describe three non-probability sampling methods. **(12 marks)**
(b) Discuss four advantages of using quantitative research approaches. **(8 marks)**
10. (a) Discuss four ethical issues in research. **(8 marks)**
(b) Describe six major parts of chapter one of a research proposal. **(12 marks)**

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