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**AED0205: INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS IN ADULT
EDUCATION**

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MARKS: 60

3 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer any FOUR (4) questions of your choice
 2. Each question carries 15 marks
 3. Proof read your work before you submit
 4. Begin each question on a fresh page
 5. Label your answers correctly
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QUESTION 1

Write short explanatory notes on any three (3) of the following concepts as used in social research:

- a) Qualitative research design
- b) Quantitative research design
- c) Educational research
- d) Dependent variable
- e) Independent variable

[15 marks]

QUESTION 2

With relevant example describe any three (3) characteristics of research.

[15 marks]

QUESTION 3

Use practical examples describe how research can be beneficial to your community.

[15 marks]

QUESTION 4

With relevant examples from the adult education context, describe the following research cycle steps:

- a) Identification of the problem
- b) Identification of variables related to the problem
- c) Development of a research design

[15 marks]

QUESTION 5

Using practical examples, explain the following qualitative research methodologies:

- a) Participatory research
- b) Action research
- c) Case study

[15 marks]

QUESTION 6

Discuss any three (3) benefits of literature review in social research.

[15 marks]