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Paper 032 – General Proficiency

*1 hour 10 minutes*

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You are asked by a non-governmental agency to prepare a report on children's use of electronic devices and their success in examinations. In order to prepare this report, you need to conduct research so that the recommendations will be based on actual data.

1. (a) Suggest an appropriate topic for this study.

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(2 marks)

(b) Write an appropriate purpose statement suitable for research on the topic. Begin your answer with the words *The purpose of the study is to*.

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(2 marks)

(c) State TWO key terms from the topic given in (a) that you, as the researcher, will clearly define in your research report.

1. ....  
2. ....

(2 marks)

**Total 6 marks**

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2. (a) Write ONE research question that will guide your investigation.

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(2 marks)

(b) (i) Suggest any TWO research instruments, other than questionnaires, which would be appropriate for gathering data on the topic.

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2. ....

(2 marks)

(ii) State ONE reason why EACH instrument suggested in (b) (i) would be suitable for the research.

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2. ....  
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(2 marks)

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3. (a) Suggest TWO sources that may be used to obtain information on the research topic.

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**(2 marks)**

(b) State the population from which a sample may be selected for studying the topic.

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**(1 mark)**

(c) (i) Suggest an appropriate sampling method that may be used to choose the participants for the study.

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**(1 mark)**

(ii) State TWO reasons why you would use the sampling method suggested in (c) (i).

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**(2 marks)**

(iii) Explain ONE disadvantage of using the sampling method suggested in (c) (i).

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**(2 marks)**

**Total 8 marks**

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Questions 4 and 5 are based on the case study presented below. Read the case carefully then answer both questions.

**Critical Issues Affecting the Labour Force within the Town of St James**

A group of university students conducted a study of employment opportunities within the nearby town of St James. St James is a commercial district which is home to several government offices, hotels, supermarkets, financial institutions, manufacturing companies, restaurants and fast food outlets. The population of the town of St James is 35 000. There are many citizens of St James who are willing and actively seeking jobs but unable to find any. The government is interested in finding out the critical issues affecting both the employed and unemployed persons, in order to provide appropriate opportunities for training and job creation.

From the community's labour force of 3500, the researchers randomly selected a group of 350 citizens between the ages 18 and 35 years, as respondents for the survey. Respondents identified the following as the most critical employment issues: 9 per cent of the respondents indicated that they were underqualified for existing or preferred jobs; 28 per cent indicated that they were overqualified for existing or preferred jobs; 5 per cent indicated a disinterest in current job offerings; 30 per cent indicated there was need for an increased minimum wage; and 28 per cent indicated there was need for increased opportunities for career advancement.

The researchers are preparing a report to submit to the government.

4. (a) Write TWO statements of fact about the town of St James.

- 1. ....  
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- 2. ....  
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(2 marks)

(b) State the population for this study.

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(1 mark)

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(c) (i) Outline TWO reasons why a questionnaire may be an appropriate instrument for gathering data for this study.

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(4 marks)

(ii) Suggest ONE possible limitation of using questionnaires as the main data collection instrument in this study.

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(1 mark)

(d) State ONE important finding in this study.

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(1 mark)

**Total 9 marks**





5. (a) (i) The table below gives the findings of the research. Complete the table by supplying the missing

- percentage
- critical issues.

Critical Issues	Responses (%)
Underqualified for existing or preferred jobs	9
Overqualified for existing or preferred jobs	28
Disinterest in current job offerings	5
Low minimum wage	.....
.....	28

(2 marks)

(ii) On the grid provided on page 10, use a bar graph to display the data given in the table.

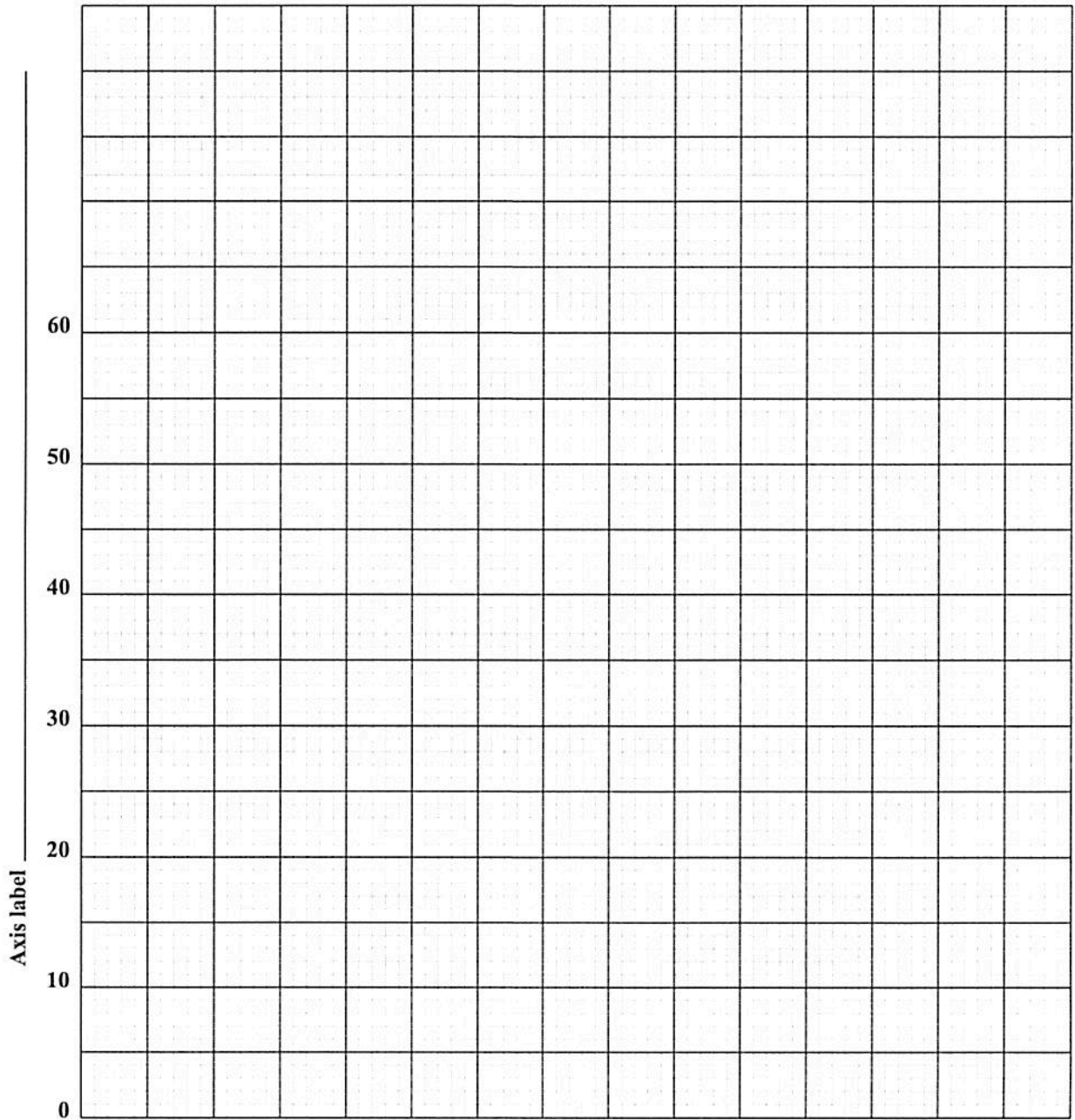
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### Issues Affecting Employment



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b) Suggest TWO recommendations which the researchers are likely to make to the authorities based on the data obtained from the study.

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(4 marks)

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