BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

FACULTY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Science Education (HBScEd MT)

Part 1.1

MTE112: History and Philosophy of Mathematics

Duration 3 hours

Semester Examinations

INSTRUCTIONS

- (i) Answer Three questions
- (ii) Begin each question on a fresh page

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- (iii) Each question carries 100 marks
- 1. Distinguish between inductive and deductive forms of mathematical reasoning and discuss their implications for mathematics instruction.
- 2. Discuss four philosophies of mathematics and their implications for classroom practice.
- 3. Examine how local affective responses influence students' problem solving efforts.
- 4. Examine any four contributions made to the body of mathematics knowledge that earned Gauss the title, "Prince of mathematics."
- 5. It was inconceivable to mathematicians of the 19th century that there could exist an algebra different arithmetic algebra. Discuss how this was shattered by the liberation of algebra

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