BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

FACULTY OF COMMERCE



DEPARTMENT OF MARKETING

PROGRAMME: MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MARKETING

BS 112 PRINCIPLES OF MARKETING

DURATION: 3 HOURS

EXAMINATION

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- 1. Answer any four questions.
- 2. Each question carries 25 marks.
- 3. Start answering each main question on a fresh page.
- 4. Credit will be given for appropriate use of illustrative examples.
- 5. No cell phones and programmable calculators are allowed in the examination room.

OUESTION ONE

a) What is the difference between marketing and selling?

[5]

b) Explain the evolution of marketing showing at least five orientations.

[20]

[25 Marks]

QUESTION TWO

With reference to a clothing firm, assess the following consumer market segmentation variables.

Geographic segmentation (i)

[4]

Demographic segmentation (ii)

[4]

Psychographic segmentation (iii)

[4]

Explain the differences between the short gun approach and the rifle approach.[13] (iv)

[25 Marks]

QUESTION THREE

a) Define the term product?

[4]

b) Outline the stages of the product life cycle and the appropriate 4Ps for each stage [21]

[25 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR

State and explain any five key functions of marketing channel members.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION FIVE

Evaluate any five price adjustment strategies.

[25 Marks]

QUESTION SIX

Describe the elements of the communication process.

[25 Marks]

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