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SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

MODULE CODE: SA1001

MODULE TITLE: Anthropology in the World

EXAM DURATION: 2 Hours

EXAM INSTRUCTIONS

Candidates should answer TWO questions, no more than ONE from each section.

Do not overlap your answers to different questions.

Ethnographic examples should be used to illustrate all your answers.

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SECTION ONE

1. Critically assess one of the following terms:
   • Egalitarianism
   • Immediate return societies
   • The foraging mode of thought

2. To what extent is the hunter-gather lifestyle still viable in the 21st Century?

3. How is the concept of diaspora relevant to the study of the modern nation-state?

4. Critically assess the role of memory in identity formation among refugees and exiles.

5. The study of suffering and trauma must take into account their cultural, social and political contexts. Discuss.

6. Discuss some of the different ways in which people have responded to the current economic crisis.

7. Discuss the ‘quest for the Other’ in relation to either backpacking or ‘voluntourism’.

8. To what extent is sex tourism a search for the authentic?

SECTION TWO

9. What can ethnographies that include children show us about ideas of the person and social relations?

10. In the absence of field data from children, anthropologists cannot fully understand what adults are doing and saying. Discuss.