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**FACULTY OF ARTS**

**COURSE CODE: CRS471**  
**COURSE TITLE: RESEARCH METHODS**  
**CREDIT UNIT: 2**  
**TIME ALLOWED: 2 HOURS**  
**INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ONLY THREE (3) QUESTIONS**

**each question carries equal marks (23 marks).**

1. Examine the four possible sources of hypothesis as listed in your Self-Learning Material (CRS471)
- 2a) Differentiate between the integrated method of literature review and the thematic method [10 marks, 17 minutes]
- 2b) Gives reasons to justify the enormous emphasis on Literature Review in our live-facilitation sessions on CRS471
- 3a) Examine the concept of self-plagiarism (12 marks)
- 3b) Illustrate with your own example the documentation of endnotes and parenthetical citations in a report research using MLA referencing style (11 marks).
- 4a Using the information provided in your Self-Learning Material, present a brief note to your colleagues on five causes of failure in research report [10 marks, 18 minutes]
- 4b) What are the three resource materials mentioned in your Self-Learning Material (CRS471) that could be described as periodicals? (9 marks)