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**2025\_2 EXAMINATIONS**

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**COURSE CODE:** EDU821  
**COURSE TITLE:** STATISTICAL METHODS  
**TIME ALLOWED:** 3 HOURS  
**INSTRUCTION:** Answer question No. 1(which is compulsory) and any other 3

**Question No.1 (Compulsory)**

The scores obtained by 10 students in a mathematics test is given as follow: 40, 50, 80, 60, 30, 25, 90, 75, 40, 60. Transform each student score to standard Z-score. **(25marks)**

**Question No. 2**

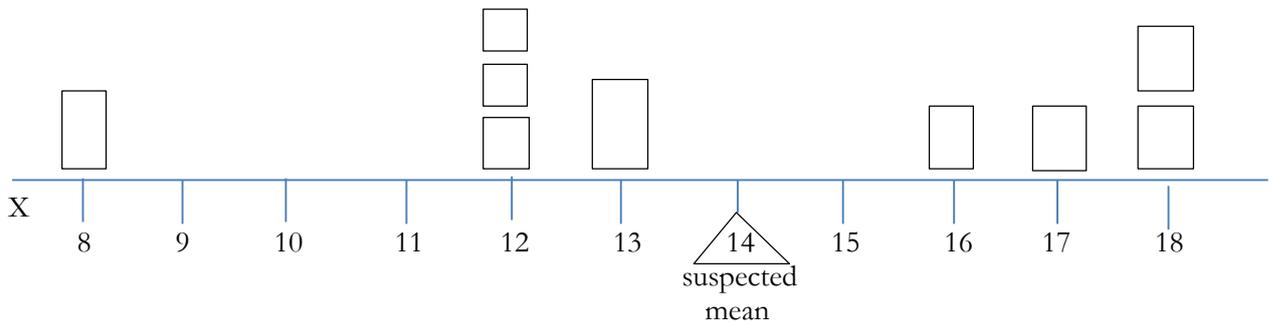
- (a) (i) Define the “Range” as a variability score **(2 marks)**  
(ii) List 2 shortcomings of the Range as a variability score **(2 marks)**
- (b) Explain the terms:  
(i) Deviation Score **(3marks)**  
(ii) Standard Deviation **(3 marks)**
- (c) What 4 properties make the standard deviation a more useful deviation score? **(5 marks)**

**Question No. 3**

- (a) (i) Define the variance of a distribution of scores  
(ii) Why is the standard deviation preferred to the variance in inferential statistics?
- (b) Tabulate:  
(i)  $(X - \bar{X})$ ,  
(ii)  $(X - \bar{X})^2$ ,  
(iii)  $\bar{X}$   
(iv) variance and  
(v) standard deviation of the distribution below:  
32, 71, 64, 50, 48, 63, 38, 41, 47, 52 **(15marks)**

#### Question No. 4

In the distribution shown in the figure below;



- (a) Change the score “8” to a 2, then recalculate the;
- mode
  - the median
  - the mean
  - which of the measures of central tendency was most affected **(7 marks)**
- (b) Omit figure 8, and calculate ;
- mode
  - median
  - mean. State the effect on these measures. **(8 marks)**

#### Question No. 5

Observe the following scores obtained by English Students in a class of 50:

84, 80, 68, 87, 86, 70, 79, 90, 67, 80, 82, 62, 87, 85, 86, 86, 61, 86, 91, 78, 70, 86, 85, 88, 70, 79, 75, 89, 73, 86, 72, 68, 82, 89, 81, 69, 77, 81, 77, 83, 72, 96, 89, 84, 78, 88, 78, 78, 82, 76.

Present the scores in grouped frequency tables using;

- class interval width of 5 **(7 marks)**
- class interval width of 3 **(8 marks)**

#### Question No. 6

- (a) Observe the raw scores: 1, 5, 7, and 3;
- Determine the mean of the score
  - Determine the deviation scores of the distribution.
  - What is the meaning or implication of the deviation score derived from the raw score of 7?
  - What is the value of the deviation scores? **(15 marks)**