



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

Semester I Semester II Supplemental/Summer School

Examinations of December /April/May /July 2009

Originating Campus: Cave Hill Mona St. Augustine

Mode: On Campus By Distance

Course Code and Title: **LIBS6301 - BIBLIOGRAPHY AND REFERENCE METHODS & MATERIALS**

Date: Time: **Wednesday December 9, 2009** 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Duration: **3 Hours** Paper No:

Materials required:

Answer booklet: Normal Special Not required

Calculator: Programmable Non Programmable
(where applicable)

Multiple Choice answer sheets: numerical alphabetical 1-20 1-100

Auxiliary/Other material(s) – Please specify:

Candidates are permitted to bring the following items to their desks:

Instructions to Candidates: This paper has 2 pages & 6 questions.

Candidates are reminded that the examiners shall take into account the proper use of the English Language in determining the mark for each response.

ANSWER THREE (3) QUESTIONS. EACH QUESTION CARRIES EQUAL MARKS.

1. Select **ONE (1)** example of a bibliographic control tool and explain its role in information retrieval. How has information technology improved this tool for users searching for information?

2. "*Bibliographic standards provide the foundation for successful resource-sharing.*" Comment on some of the bibliographic standards that have been achieved in **TWO (2)** areas of information retrieval.
3. In reference negotiation, give **FOUR (4)** reasons why the initial query from the user frequently does not reflect the real information need. Elaborate on the types of questions that can be used by the librarian for successful reference negotiation.
4. Elaborate on some of the important bibliographic tools available for identifying Caribbean-related information.
5. Select **ONE (1)** type of printed reference source and elaborate on its role in the reference collection. Identify and comment on **FOUR (4)** selection criteria to be used for your selected source.
6. Discuss **FOUR (4)** important considerations associated with offering Internet access services in the public library.

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