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BACHELOR OF QUANTITY SURVEYING (HONOURS) DEGREE PART II FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS JANUARY 2008 BUILDING CONSTRUCTION II – AQS 2104

TIME: 3 Hours TOTAL MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer all questions and answer a, or b of question five.

Illustrate to aid your answers

Question One

a) Outline five requirements for load bearing walls

(5 marks)

- b) Clearly differentiate between masonry and monolithic walls giving two types of materials used in each (5 marks)
- c) Illustrate typical details on how rain water and dampness can be prevented on chimneys, clearly label your diagrams. (10 marks)
- d) Listed below are materials used in wall construction; give two advantages and disadvantages of each over the other.
 - Sand and cement blocks
 - Stone

• Timber (6 marks)

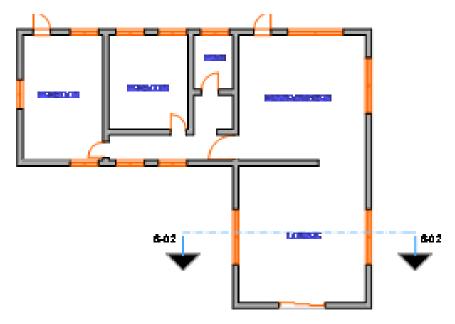
e) Illustrate cross wall construction in plan and mention one of its advantages. (4 marks)

(30 marks)

Question Two

a) For the given plan below insert a roof plan with the following specifications; a combined gable and hip roof, 800mm roof eaves, and label the valley, hip, gable, and ridge and indicate the possible positions for rain water gutters and down pipes.

(8 marks)



- b) Draw a typical truss detail through section cut S-01. (4 marks)
- c) Illustrate and label a section cut through a concrete roof slab with a parapet wall (4marks)
- d) Illustrate the difference between a steel girder north light and south light. (4 marks)

(20 marks)

Question Three

- a) List six structural requirements for chimneys (6 marks)
- b) Clearly illustrate a typical chimney detail and denote the following; heath, fireplace, throat, fire back, flue, flue linings. (6 marks)
- c) A timber suspended upper floor when built around a fireplace consists of different members amongst which are; joists, trimmed joists, herringbone strutting. By means of diagram illustrate these giving the relevant size of sections where necessary

 (8 marks)

(20 marks)

Question Four

a) You are a contracts manager and your company has been commissioned to build a supermarket with four floors of office space above. Write brief notes on how you would handle the following;

•	Site clearing and trial pits	(2 marks)
•	Fencing /hoarding	(2 <i>mark</i>)
•	Accommodation and site storage	(2 marks
•	plant and equipment	(2 marks)
•	site health and welfare arrangements	(2 marks)

- b) What are the three steps of foundation design procedure that you would consider? (3 marks)
- c) Given that some parts of the foundations require pile foundations, explain why you would opt for precast concrete piles over in-situ cast concrete piles. (3 marks)
- c) What is the difference between an end bearing pile and friction pile? Illustrate your answer. (4 marks)

(20 marks)

Question Five

- a) Explain and illustrate the difference between pre and post tensioned concrete giving two examples of uses for each. (10 marks)
- b) Illustrate how concrete roofing tiles can be fixed on a load bearing wall as claddings. (10 marks)

(20 marks)