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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

Answer any **THREE** from the given **five** questions

**Question One**

Using suitable examples, discuss the applications of the following sampling strategies in research. (20 marks)

- (i) Simple random sampling
- (ii) Stratified sampling
- (iii) Systematic sampling
- (iv) Snowball sampling
- (v) Convenience sampling

**Question Two**

Critically discuss the importance of research in the field of education (20 marks)

**Question Three**

Describe the following terms as used in educational research (20 marks)

- a. Research methodology
- b. Research design
- c. Study population
- d. Research instruments

**Question Four**

Select a research problem related to your area of specialization and: (20 marks)

- (i) State the title of your study
- (ii) Write a brief statement of the problem
- (iii) State the purpose of the study
- (iv) State objective(s) of the study
- (v) State the research questions of the study

**Question Five**

Discuss literature review in thesis writing under the following (20 marks)

- a. Definition of literature review
- b. Purpose of literature review in education research
- c. Funneling method of structuring literature review