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**EFC 642: SOCIOLOGY OF NIGERIAN EDUCATION**

**Instructions:** Answer ANY FOUR questions

**Duration: 3 Hours**

1. "Education is one of the most thoroughly political enterprises in American life – or for that matter in the life of any society". Jesse Burkehead. To what extent would you consider this postulate applicable to the Nigerian situation? Justify your position with specific examples.
2. "If we begin by assuming that what educates deeply is the immediate experience of a child, then the family is what educates the most and the soonest. Harold Taylor. Comment on the above assertion, in relation to the role of the family within the Nigerian context.
3. Explain the distinctive features of traditional education in Nigeria, and attempt a critique of the system.
4. (a) "You don't have to be in school very long before you feel the atmosphere of the place." Andrew W. Halpin. Discuss critically this postulate within the ambit of the teachers style and achievement of classroom goals  
(b) Discuss the early period of the growth and development of education in Nigeria.
5. (a) Discuss critically the effects of external environment on the professional administration of education in Nigeria.  
(b) Competition and cooperation are two essential ingredients in learning. How can these be harnessed within the school?