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Marks 100

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer all questions in this paper
2. Start each question on a new page
3. Number your questions correctly
4. Write neatly

QUESTION 1 (25 Marks)

As per idealist philosophical thought, the mind and the self are the ultimate truth or reality, and the creation of the universe is a reflection of the mind. Thus, Plato believed that the human mind is the supreme element in life and that the universe is not composed of a material in its ultimate nature or form. Reflect on the relevance of Plato's thoughts in the present system of education in relation to;

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| i. | Aims of Education | 5 Marks |
| ii. | Process of Education | 5 Marks |
| iii. | Curriculum | 5 Marks |
| iv. | Education for Women | 5 Marks |
| v. | Methods of Teaching | 5 Marks |

QUESTION 2 (25 Marks)

Describe the major world views of the following educational philosophies and list the roles of a teacher in a classroom that embraces each of these philosophies:

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| i. | Reconstructionism | 5 Marks |
| ii. | Behaviorism | 5 Marks |
| iii. | Existentialism | 5 Marks |
| iv. | Constructivism | 5 Marks |
| v. | Perennialism | 5 Marks |

QUESTION 3 (25 Marks)

Both philosophy and education are integrally and interdependently related to each other. Explain five (5) good reasons why education is dependent on philosophy.

QUESTION 4 (25 Marks)

Philosophy guides the process of education in different ways. As such, a teacher approaching education philosophically needs to answer five basic questions that guide the teaching-learning process. Explain these five (5) questions in relation to your teaching subject.

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