

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
INFORMATION STUDIES UNIT
BA DEGREE IN LIS – LEVEL 6 (SEMESTER I)
HSU6308 – PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION
FINAL EXAMINATION – 2021/2022



DURATION: THREE (03) HOURS ONLY.

Date: 08.05.2022

Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Instructions:

- Answer only five (05) questions.
- All questions carry equal marks.
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1. Traditional library materials are the most common library materials in our libraries; briefly describe the various types of traditional library materials and describe the additives in paper making process and their effect separately. (20 marks)
2. Paper deterioration can be described mainly due to four factors. Explain these deterioration factors in brief? (20 marks)
3. Library staff and readers are responsible for the physical deterioration of paper materials. As a librarian, how do you minimize physical deterioration in your library?
(20 marks)
4. Preservation is a very important part of a library's ability to provide proper library service to its readers.
 - a. Define the word "library material preservation". (5 marks)
 - b. Why do you think library preservation is very important in a proper library system? discuss. (15 marks)
5. Audio-visual library materials are very popular in modern libraries in Sri Lanka. List the audio-visual library materials and describe the preservation measures or recommendations you use to keep audio-visual materials safe in your library. (20 marks)

6. Write short notes of the following. (5 marks each)
- Phosphine Fumigation
 - Thymol Fumigation
 - Microfilming
 - Aqueous cleaning
7. Explain the insects and micro-organisms that cause biological deterioration of library materials and list out measures you follow in your library to minimize the biological deterioration process? (20 marks)
8. Libraries could be fully or partly destroyed due to accidents. What are the causes for accidents? and describe the measures use for preventing these accidents? (20 marks)