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The Open University of Sri Lanka  
Faculty of Engineering Technology  
Diploma/Degree in Technology & Industrial Studies (Agriculture)  
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AEJ 4233 Rural Sociology

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Time : 13.30 - 16.30  
Duration : Three (3) hours.

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SECTION II.

1. **Disjunctive social processes push people apart.**
  - i. Briefly explain the difference between competition and conflict
  - ii. Discuss the bad effects of competition and conflict with reference to achieving organizational goals.
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  - i. Briefly explain what is meant by the 'dynamic nature' of culture.
  - ii. Discuss with examples the formal and informal agents of transmitting culture.
3. **Family is the basic element in society.**
  - i. Compare the 'characteristics of family' in Western and Asian societies.
  - ii. Discuss how family-society interactions take place as a result of the socialization process.
4. Write short notes on four (4) of the following;
  - i. Kinship and land tenure system.
  - ii. Group formation process.
  - iii. Characteristics of values.
  - iv. Social stratification.
  - v. mobilization of Folk knowledge
5.
  - i. Briefly discuss the reasons for geographical mobility of people from rural areas to urban areas.
  - ii. Compare rural and urban societies in relation to the following aspects;
    - a. social stratification
    - b. social control
    - c. social solidarity.
6. Write an essay on ' National development through self reliant agriculture'