

**FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, MINNA**  
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**SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BTech GEOLOGY**  
**2017/2018 SESSION**

**COURSE CODE:** GEL 321

**UNIT:** 2

**COURSE TITLE:** METAMORPHIC PETROLOGY

**INSTRUCTIONS:** ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY TWO OTHERS

**TIME ALLOWED:** 2 HOURS

**DATE:** 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2018

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1. (a) Define the following terms as used in metamorphic petrology:
  - i Index mineral
  - ii Isograde
  - iii Metamorphic facies
  - iv Metamorphic zone

(b) Discuss the Barrovian progressive metamorphism and explain its similarities and differences with the Buchan Series and Grubberman metamorphic zone.
2. (a) Discuss metamorphism as a chemical reaction.

(b) Explain the limits of metamorphism.
3. (a) With the aid of good diagrams, explain the following metamorphic textures:
  - i Augen
  - ii Idioblastic
  - iii Granoblastic
  - iv Polygonal
  - v Porphyroblastic
  - vi Xenoblastic

(b) Explain how chemically active fluid, temperature and pressure influence metamorphism.
4. Distinguish between the following pairs of metamorphic rocks:
  - (a) Amphibolite and serpentinite
  - (b) Granofels and hornfels
  - (c) Cataclasite and mylonite
  - (d) Gneiss and schist
  - (e) Phyllite and slate
5. (a) Give a brief account of contact metamorphism of limestone.

(b) What are the mineral assemblages that characterized the various facies of regional metamorphism?