



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PEACE STUDIES AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION**  
**2023\_2 EXAMINATIONS**

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**COURSE CODE: PCR872**

**COURSE TITLE: Research Methods in Peace and Conflict Resolution**

**CREDIT UNIT: 3**

**TIME ALLOWED: 3 Hours**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer any 4 questions. Each question carries an allocation of 17.5 marks.**

**Total score is 70.**

1. Discuss seven characteristics of social research of empirical nature- 17.5 marks
2. a. Briefly examine the processes or steps in carrying out a good research in peace studies and conflict resolution. - 7marks  
b. Discuss five (5) characteristics of feminist research- 5 marks  
c. List six (6) challenges facing research in feminist studies- 5.5 marks
3. a. Discuss five areas of usefulness of literature review in research work- 10 marks  
b. Examine five library resources that can be accessed by a researcher-7.5 marks
4. a. Define questionnaire- 2.5 marks  
b. Attempt to draw a Likert- type questionnaire consisting of biographic data and 15 question items on causes, effects and trend of banditry in the northwest of Nigeria- 15 marks
5. a. Differentiate between deductive and inductive reasoning – 5marks  
b. Define research in your own words 2.5 marks  
c. What is a theory? 2 marks  
d. List four theories you are familiar with in peace studies and their major proponents- 8marks
6. a. You are going to conduct a research on the causes of the agitation of the Independent Peoples of Biafra in the Southeast of Nigeria, list 10 factors that may form part of your coding in your report- 10 marks  
b. What is statistics? 2.5 marks  
c. Discuss method of qualitative data analysis. 5 marks