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Course: Foundation of Librarianship (5500)  Semester: Spring, 2012
Level: MLIS  Total Marks: 100
Pass Marks: 40

ASSIGNMENT No. 1
(Units: 1–5)

Note: Use your own words while working on your assignment. In case of quoting any fact or statement from any source, always remember to provide full reference of the source according to “Turabian’s Manual” provided in your course material. All questions carry equal marks.

Q. 1 Trace the historical development of human communication and discuss in detail four languages that resemble each other.

Q. 2 a) What were Gutenberg’s efforts in Printing?
b) When and how the stones were used for writing?

Q. 3 Write short notes on the following.
- Pictography
- Parchment
- Lamination
- Clay Tablets
- SPIL

Q. 4 Identify the difference between handmade and machine made papers. Also discuss the brittle and good papers.

Q. 5 Discuss the contribution of Muslims in binding.
ASSIGNMENT No. 2  
(Unit 6–9)  
Total Marks: 100  
Pass Marks: 40  

Note: All questions carry equal marks.

Q. 1 What is Papyrus? Discuss its origin. How it is kept in Libraries?

Q. 2 a) Discuss the development of book.  
b) What is electronic Book? Discuss its advantages and disadvantages.

Q. 3 a) Provide a brief history of librarianship in Indo-Pak.  
b) Discuss the modern concept of Libraries.

Q. 4 Write short notes on the following.  
• Alexandria Library  
• Paperless Library  
• Library associations  
• Characteristics of a profession

Q. 5 a) Describe the role of a Librarian.  
b) Discuss Library schools in Pakistan.