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FINAL STATE EXAMINATION FOR THE GENERAL PART OF THE REGISTER

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MORNING

ALL ASPECTS OF NURSING CARE AND TREATMENT OF PATIENTS
(included in the Syllabus of Training)

Time allowed 3 hours

IMPORTANT.—*Read the questions carefully, and answer only what is asked in the sections as indicated, as no credit will be given for irrelevant matter. The percentages shown on the right of this paper denote the proportion of weighting allocated to each section of the question.*

NOTE.—Candidates **MUST** attempt **FIVE** questions and not more than five. There is no compulsory question.

1. A 35-year-old bus driver has just been admitted to your ward with a myocardial infarction.
 - (a) Give an account of the immediate treatment he will require. 30%
 - (b) What further treatment and nursing care should be given during the first 24 hours of his admission? 40%
 - (c) What advice may be given to the patient on discharge regarding his future health and well-being? 30%
2. A patient is admitted to hospital to undergo partial thyroidectomy for thyrotoxicosis.
 - (a) What special pre-operative care may this patient need? 20%
 - (b) Describe in detail the post-operative care this patient will require. 50%
 - (c) With reference to anatomy and physiology how would you describe to a junior nurse the possible post-operative complications which may occur? 30%
3. A man aged 20 has been admitted to your ward in status asthmaticus.
 - (a) With reference to anatomy and physiology explain this condition to your junior nurse. 20%
 - (b) Describe the treatment and nursing care of this patient. 40%
 - (c) Discuss his long-term management. 40%
4. An eight-year-old child has acute myeloid leukaemia.
 - (a) What is meant by acute myeloid leukaemia? 20%
 - (b) How would you try to make this child happy and comfortable? 40%
 - (c) How may the child's parents be helped and supported by the hospital team? 40%
5. Discuss the role of the nurse in ONE of the following:—
 - A. the Theatre Recovery Room; 100%
 - OR
 - B. the initial booking of a primigravida in an antenatal clinic; 100%
 - OR
 - C. the care of a patient with senile dementia in a psycho-geriatric ward; 100%
 - OR
 - D. the first domiciliary visit by the district nurse to a patient with diabetes mellitus who has recently been discharged from hospital. 100%