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Figure 2.5 Evolution of Training's Role

Source: Noe, RA 2005, *Employee Training and Development*, p.41.

Table 6.20 Fit Indices for Hypothesised Structural Model

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Laker (1990) proposed

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Transfer of training is generally defined as the degree to which trainees apply the knowledge, skills and attitudes gained in training to their job (Ford & Weissbein 1997; Tannenbaum & Yulk 1992; Wexley & Latham 1991).

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For instance, Tziner, Haccoun and Kadish (1991) noted that the fundamental purpose of training is to help people develop skills and abilities which, when applied at work, will enhance their average job performance in their current job.

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