

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD AND PRIMARY
EDUCATION PROGRAMME – LEVEL 03
FINAL EXAMINATIONS – 2009
ESD 1133 -CURRICULUM STUDIES AND PRACTICUM –ENVIRONMENT
RELATED ACTIVITIES



DURATION: TWO (02) HOURS

Date: 17th May 2009

Time: 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

Answer any four (04) questions.

01. (a) Define the term “Environment” in your own words. (05 marks)
- (b) Describe briefly, two philosophical views on environment. (10 marks)
- (c) Briefly explain the relevance of the above stated philosophical views to a primary teacher. (10 marks)
02. (a) State two aims of introducing the subject “Environment Related Activities” in 1972 to the Sri Lankan education system. (05 marks)
- (b) Explain the importance of the subject “Environment Related Activities” introduced in 1972. (10 marks)
- (c) Citing examples, explain how the subject “Environment Related Activities” differs from the other subjects in the primary curricular. (10 marks)
03. (a) State two methods of teaching which could be used in the teaching-learning process of “Environment Related Activities”. (05 marks)
- (b) Select one of the above stated teaching methods and explain the following.
- (i) Importance of the method
- (ii) Strengths and Weaknesses of the method (20 marks)

04. (a) What is meant by the “Role of the teacher”? (05 marks)
- (b) Explain teacher’s accountability in the teaching-learning process of Environment Related Activities. (10 marks)
- (c) Explain two difficulties that may be faced by the teacher when teaching “Environment Related Activities”. (10 marks)
05. (a) State the two methods of evaluation that can be used in Environment Related Activities. (02 marks)
- (b) Select one of the methods, and explain briefly the evaluation process and importance of it. (08 marks)
- (c) Explain briefly the relevance of evaluation to the following:
(i) Teacher
(ii) Student
(iii) Parents (15 marks)
06. Write short notes on any two of the following.
- (i) Use of educational technology in the teaching-learning process of Environment Related Activities.
- (ii) Historical development of the subject “Environment Related Activities” in Sri Lanka.
- (iii) Teacher as a facilitator in the teaching learning process of “Environment Related Activities” (25 marks)

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