



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

CERTIFICATE IN PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAMME -2017/2018

FINAL EXAMINATION 2018

EPC1234/ESC1134 – DEVELOPMENT OF LANGUAGE SKILLS

DURATION – TWO (02) HOURS

Date: 22nd April 2019

Time: 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Answer All Questions in Part I and any three (03) questions from Part II.

PART - I

01. Write **five (05)** functions of Language.
02. Name **five (05)** activities for development of fine motor activities.
03. Write **four (04)** specific characteristics a story should contain to develop listening skills in children.
04. Explain citing examples what is meant by “Visual Discrimination”.
05. Write **five (05)** suitable “topics” for development of “free conversation” in pre-school children.
06. Explain citing an example what is meant by **pre- writing skills**.
07. State **four (04)** characteristics that can be identified in a pre-school child who has not developed listening skills.
08. Write **four (04)** errors in speech of Pre- school children.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART - I

09. i. Name **four (04)** different activities that can be used to develop listening skills of children. (04 marks)
- ii. Briefly explain how you would organize each of these activities. (10 marks)
- iii. Describe how listening skills are developed through those activities. (06 marks)
10. i. Explain how speech can be developed using children's stories. (10 marks)
- ii. Explain the practical significance of developing speaking skill in the pre-school children. (10 marks)
11. i. Explain the importance of developing "pre-writing" skills in the pre-school children. (10 marks)
- ii. Citing examples explain how the poor development of pre writing skills in children affects their future education. (10 marks)
12. i. Explain citing examples how play activities contribute towards children's language development. (10 marks)
- ii. "Hearing discrimination, listening and speaking skills are interrelated process" . Explain this statement using suitable examples. (10 marks)
13. i. Name **three (03)** categories of listening. (06 marks)
- ii. Explain citing examples how the home environment influence the development of speaking skills in preschool children. (08 marks)
- iii. State six (06) factors which affect language development in child. (06 marks)

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