



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (HONOURS) IN PRIMARY EDUCATION

LEVEL - 05

FINAL EXAMINATION – 2020/2021

EPU5550 – EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY FOR PRIMARY EDUCATION

DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 28.01.2023

Time: 09.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

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

PART - I

01. What is Educational Psychology? Explain with definition.
02. Discuss **three (03) characteristics** of a teacher who apply knowledge of education psychology.
03. Write down **five (05) strategies** you use as a primary school teacher to keep students' attention.
04. Define the concept of **total development**.
05. Write **two (02) advantages** of **direct observation** and **two (02) advantages** of **indirect observation** in studying students.
06. "Motivation is very important for effective learning". List the **first five (05) steps** of motivation in **Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs theory**.
07. Illustrate with an example the **conservation ability** associated with cognitive development.
08. Suggest **five (05) actions** the teacher should take regarding a primary school child who exhibits **unwholesome emotions**.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART – II

09. i. Write **five (05) areas of psychology** related to **educational psychology**.
(05 marks)
- ii. Analyze the **teacher's role** developed by educational psychology under the following three headings.
- Definition of learning objectives.
 - Organizing learning experiences.
 - Evaluation of learning.
- (15 marks)
10. i. Comparatively investigate **experimental and non-experimental** methods of studying **child behaviour**.
(10 marks)
- ii. What is meant by **Case Study method**? Prepare an appropriate plan to collect information about a child in **Case Study** you conduct.
(10 marks)
11. i. Discuss with examples **the principles** of the **theories presented by Piaget and Vygotsky**.
(10 marks)
- ii. According to Vygotsky's theory, explain the **role of the primary school teacher** with examples.
(10 marks)
12. i. Explain the main principles of **Gestalt theory** by giving examples. (10 marks)
- ii. According to the **Gestalt theory**, explain the **role of the primary school teacher**.
(10 marks)
13. i. Discuss **three (03) strategies** you would use as a primary education teacher to **improve memorization**.
(10 marks)
- ii. Explain the **transfer of learning** and explain with examples the importance of teaching so that a learning transfer or training transfer occurs.
(10 marks)

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