



**THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA**

**FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

**BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (HONOURS) IN PRIMARY EDUCATION**

**LEVEL - 03**

**FINAL EXAMINATION – 2020/2021**

**EPU3235– CURRICULUM STUDIES AND PRACTICUM –**

**ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

**DURATION – TWO (02) HOURS**

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Date: 21.01.2023

Time: 09.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

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

**PART - I**

01. What do you mean by the term 'environment'?  
Discuss with relevant examples.
02. Describe briefly how does the subject Environment Related Activities (ERA) differ from other subjects.
03. What do you understand by communication?
04. State the importance of assessment in Environment Related Activities in the primary classes.
05. Describe briefly the role of school in environmental protection.
06. Explain the following terms:  
Biotic and Abiotic  
Describe the interaction between the above in brief.
07. Explain in brief the important stages of (turning points of history and development) the subject ERA.
08. Review the inter-relationship between communication and the subject ERA.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

## PART - II

09. 'An unprecedented surge in air pollution in Sri Lanka few months back is being blamed on winds from Indian peninsular region blowing in high levels of bad air'.
- i. List out and explain **four (04)** global environmental issues.  
(10 marks)
  - ii. Explain the importance of protecting the environment.  
(10 marks)
10. i) Explain the development of the subject Environmental Related Activities in the following years.
- a) 1985
  - b) 1993
  - c) 1997
- (10 marks)
- ii) List out any four expected competencies of environmental related activities at the primary level.  
Explain how those competencies are developed gradually through activities for children.  
(10 marks)
11. i) State the basic concepts about the communication abilities related with the subject Environment Related Activities.  
(08 marks)
- ii) Write in detail one activity which could be used to develop communication competencies in students.  
(12 marks)
12. i) 'Assessment and evaluation plays a very significant role in the teaching-learning process of all the subjects in primary stage'  
Do you agree with the above statement? Justify your answer.  
(10 marks)

- ii) a) List out **four (04)** important aspects to be considered in assessment and evaluation of Environment Related Activities.  
(02 marks)
- b) Explain those aspects with relevant examples.  
(08 marks)
13. i) Describe the role of school in environmental protection.  
(05 marks)
- ii) 'In the outer world there are various opportunities to apply experiences gained on environment. Those opportunities could be categorized into three main streams'
- a) List out those three main streams.  
(06 marks)
- b) What are the opportunities available in the Environment Related labour market.  
(09 marks)

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