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FACULTY OF EDUCATION

ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION

PROGRAMME – 2021/2022

FINAL EXAMINATION

ESC2217/EPA2517/EPC2517 – SOCIO-CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 01.07.2023

Date: 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

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

**PART - I**

01. Define the following terms and explain the difference between them.
  - (a) Nuclear family
  - (b) Extended family
02. State **five (05)** steps that parents can follow to improve their children's reading ability.
03. 'Save the children's estimates that in Sri Lanka alone, more than one million children are left behind as their mothers are forced migrate for work.'  
List out **five (05)** effect about above situation.
04. What are the two factors which influence the social development of children between 4 to 5 years.
05. List out **five (05)** effects of playing smart phone on children in early childhood period.
06. 'Naturalism, fanned by Jean Jacquer Rousseau through natural freedom. Briefly explain the Naturalism approach.
07. Explain Maria Montessori's contribution forwards child centred education.
08. List out groups that you can consider for 'vulnerable children' in Sri Lanka.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART - II

09. "Social interaction and peer support plays a very important role in socialization process"
- i. Explain with appropriate examples how peer interaction support socialization of pre-school children. (10 marks)
  - ii. Citing examples explain the influence of family for socialization of young children. (10 marks)
10. i. State **four (04)** problems faced by single parents family when provide care for their children in early childhood. (04 marks)
- ii. Describe the contribution of family towards the holistic development of children. (06 marks)
  - iii. Explain **three (03)** facts you would pay attention to when awareness raise parents an supporting their children. (10 marks)
11. i. Name **four (04)** types of mass media that can influence children. (06 marks)
- ii. Select any one of the types you mentioned above and discuss how it affects children.
    - a) Cognitive and
    - b) Emotional development. (7 x 2 = 14 marks)
12. i. "It can be seen that a few parents show less concern about the care and protection of their children."  
Do you agree above statement?  
Justify your answer. (06 marks)
- ii. List out **three (03)** reasons which have influenced the above situation. (06 marks)
  - iii. What are the measures a pre-school teacher can take to avoid such situation. (08 marks)
13. i. Explain the influence of physical environment at home for holistic development of children in early childhood. (10 marks)
- ii. Explain how you would arrange the physical environment in the pre-school to facilitate holistic development of children in early childhood. (10 marks)

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