



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION

PROGRAMME – 2021/2022

FINAL EXAMINATION

ESC2221/EPA2421/EPC2421 – ADJUSTMENT PROBLEMS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 01.07.2023

Time.01.30 p.m. – 04.30 p.m.

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

PART - I

01. Define the term “adjustment problems.”
02. Describe in brief two factors that influence the adjustment problems of children.
03. Name the first **three (03)** stages of development as proposed by Erikson.
04. Explain what is meant by bonding in the early years.
05. State **three (03)** characteristics of good parenting.
06. List **five (05)** adjustment difficulties common in pre-school children.
07. Explain in brief **two (02)** instances that you can use rewards and punishments in emotional development of young children.
08. Describe in brief what is meant by “school phobia”.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART - II

09. i. Describe the main concepts in Freund's psychoanalytic theory. (10 marks)
- ii. Explain how you would use Freud's theory to interpret and explain an identified behaviour difficulty of a pre-school child. (10 marks)
10. i. Discuss under what circumstances children who are separated from their parents early in life could become well adjusted young people. (10 marks)
- ii. Describe factors that may contribute to children's aggressive behaviours. (10 marks)
11. i. State the characteristics of behavioural theory. (06 marks)
- ii. Describe the advantages of play in the early childhood years. (06 marks)
- iii. Explain how play could be used as a theory of eliminate a child emotional difficulty. (08 marks)
12. i. Explain with examples as a teacher how can you lead peers to support children with adjustment problems. (10 marks)
- ii. Explain how teacher, parents and caregivers should be involved in supporting children with adjustment problems. (10 marks)
13. i. Home care always affects for the development of children in a positive manner. Do you agree with the above statement. Give reasons for your answer. (10 marks)
- ii. Describe with examples **four (04)** types of children who need institutional care. (10 marks)