

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

CERTIFICATE IN PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

FINAL EXAMINATION - 2019/2020

EPC1533/ESC1233 - CHILD PHYCHOLOGY

DURATION – THREE (03) HOURS

Date: 11.06.2023

Time: 1.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.

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

PART - I

- 01. Name the major domains of child development.
- 02. Explain two (02) factors that cause abnormal behaviours in children.
- 03. Citing an example, explain what is meant by "egocentrism".
- 04. Explain in brief how children demonstrate covert and overt behaviours.
- 05. Write five (5) benefits of studying child psychology for a preschool teacher.
- 06. Describe in brief what is meant by "Children with special needs".
- 07. State three (03) mental capabilities children develop during the first two years of life.
- 08. Describe the concepts of "Assimilation" and "Accommodation".

 $(5 \times 8 = 40 \text{ marks})$

PART - II

09. i. State five (05) characteristics that can be seen in a well socialized.

(05 marks)

ii. Describe **three (03)** activities a preschool teacher can organize to promote social development of children. (15 marks)

- 10. i. Name **four (04)** environmental factors that affect the development of children during the prenatal stage. (08 marks)
 - ii. Explain, how the factors you mentioned above affect children's prenatal development. (12 marks)
- 11. i. Teachers can use different research methods to study children. List **five (05)** these methods. (05 marks)
 - ii. Select any method you listed above and describe how you would use that method to study a child in the preschool classroom. (15 marks)
- 12. i. Explain with examples the concepts of "Heredity" and "Environment".

(10 marks)

ii. Explain how a stimulating environment can support children's development.

(10 marks)

13. i. Name five (05) emotional patterns which are common to preschool children.

(05 marks)

- ii. Briefly discuss with examples any two of the above mentioned emotional patterns. (07 marks)
- iii. Discuss how a preschool teacher can establish an environment in the preschool to support the emotional development of children.

(08 marks)

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