

BSC (HONS) IN PSYCHOLOGY
PLU 4301 - CHILD PSYCHOLOGY- LEVEL 4
FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER
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DATE: 04.04.2024

TIME: 9.30 am – 12.30 pm.

SECTION 2: ESSAY QUESTIONS (60 MARKS)

Choose four (04) out of the six (06) questions given below and answer using the provided answer sheets.

2.1

- a) In his theory of psychosocial development, Erik Erikson explained “crisis” that individuals go through in each stage. Explain the crisis in infancy. (6 marks)
- b) Craik and Lockhart explained two ways in which information is processed. Explain them with examples. (9 marks)

- 2.2 a) Jean Piaget and Lev Vygotsky accepted certain features in relation to children’s cognitive development. Explain two of them. (9 marks)

Discuss the difference between private speech and inner speech described by Vygotsky. (6 marks)

- 2.3 Socio-emotional development can be described as an important aspect of human development which help understand how children learn to express their feelings and emotions, develop social relationship and practice their social skills.

- a) Briefly explain the two (02) kinds of smiles that can be observed in infants. (6 marks)
- b) List the three (03) types of infant temperament described by Chess and Thomas in their classification. (3 marks)
- c) Explain two (02) of the above temperament types. (6 marks)

- 2.4 Friendship plays a major role in child development and it helps children learn important social skills.

- a) Discuss the characteristics of friendship in children aged 8 – 10 years. (5 marks)
- b) Briefly explain two (02) characteristics of ‘real’ friendship with examples. (10 marks)

2.5 Child maltreatment seems to interrupt the normal process of children's development.

- a) Explain two (02) factors related to parents/caregivers that cause child abuse and neglect. (10 marks)
- b) Suggest two (02) important topics that can be discussed with children that help prevent child abuse. (5 marks)

2.6 Language development helps children gain the ability to understand and communicate with others through speech.

- a) Briefly explain the following. (10 marks)
Phonology, Morphology, Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics
- b) Briefly discuss the changes in language development during the following periods.
 - i) 6 months
 - ii) 9 months (5 marks)

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