

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
FACULTY OF EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (HONOURS) IN PRIMARY
EDUCATION – 2022/2023
LEVEL - 05
FINAL EXAMINATION
EPU5256– CHILD RIGHTS FOR PRIMARY EDUCATION
DURATION – TWO (02) HOURS



Date: 02.03.2024

Time: 01.30 p.m. – 03.30 p.m.

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

PART - I

01. Explain briefly the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)?
02. Write **five (05)** important strategies implemented by the government of Sri Lanka after independence to ensure the Child Rights.
03. Name **five (05)** ordinances related to child welfare enacted by Sri Lanka during 1948 to 2019.
04. Define the children in special circumstances and explain briefly **three (03)** major responsibilities of the government in providing protection of them.
05. State **five (05)** special items in the 1941 No 24 ordinance related to adoption of children.
06. Explain briefly the meaning of the term “participatory rights” in relation to the children.
07. Write **five (05)** advantages which can be obtained by making community aware of the rights of children.
08. List out **five (05)** responsibilities of primary class teachers regarding the safety of primary students during the school interval time.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART - II

09. i. What is “Right to survival”? (03 marks)
- ii. List out **five (05)** occasions where the right to survival of children at primary school level is violated inside their home. (05 marks)
- iii. Describe at least **five (05)** strategies with suitable examples, that can be taken the parents to protect the right to survival of their children. (12 marks)

10.
 - i. Define the term “Child Rights”. (03 marks)
 - ii. Explain briefly the steps taken during Dutch period to protect the status of Sri Lankan children. (07 marks)
 - iii. Compare the status of Child Rights in Sri Lanka during pre-colonial period and the status of child rights at the present period. (10 marks)

11.
 - i. What can you do as a primary teacher to improve the status of health and nutrition of primary school children I Sri Lanka? Explain briefly. (05 marks)
 - ii. Briefly explain **five (05)** challenges you may face in implementing the above mentioned strategies. (05 marks)
 - iii. “Current economic crisis in Sri Lanka has had a strong impact on the status of health and nutrition of primary school children”
Do you agree this statement. Justify your answer with relevant examples. (10 marks)

12. “In recent times, the right to protection of children has been under a serious threat all over the world”.
 - i. What is meant by the right to protection? (03 marks)
 - ii. Explain briefly **three (03)** situations where the right to protection of children can be threatened. (07 marks)
 - iii. Suggest at least **five (05)** measures that can be taken by United Nations Organization (UNO) to safeguard the right to protection of primary school children in the world at present. (10 marks)

13.
 - i. State at least **three (03)** weaknesses appearent in audio visual media when increasing awareness of general public on child rights in Sri Lanka. (03 marks)
 - ii. What are the reasons for those weaknesses. Explain with examples. (07 marks)
 - iii. Discuss **three (03)** creative proposals with suitable examples to avoid the weaknesses that you have mentioned in the above answer. (10 marks)

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