



THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA
FACULTY OF EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (HONOURS) IN PRIMARY
EDUCATION – 2022/2023
LEVEL - 04
FINAL EXAMINATION
EPU4236 – PROFESSIONAL ROLE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD AND PRIMARY
EDUCATION TEACHERS
DURATION – TWO (02) HOURS

Date: 09.03.2024

Time: 1.30 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.

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

PART – I

01. *“In the three key stages in the Sri Lankan Primary Education curriculum consists three elements”*
- List out those **three (03)** elements and draw a diagram and explain how these elements are change key 1 to key stage 3.
02. a) Explain in brief ‘Bloom’s taxonomy’
b) List out the lower levels of cognitive processing and higher levels of cognitive processing separately.
03. “A teacher should organize learning activities in order to gain a better understanding of the student’s prior knowledge and help them link it to new information.
- As a primary school teacher how can you apply this statement in your Environment Related Activities in the primary classroom.
04. Explain the role of the teacher related to the connectivism approach.
05. Define the term assessment and explain its importance.
06. List out the teaching strategies and explain each of them in brief.
07. Explain what is meant by General Knowledge – sharing skills.
08. As a primary school teacher how can you motivate your students to successful learning process.

(5 x 8 = 40 marks)

PART - II

09. “There are two main types of competencies found in the primary education system in Sri Lanka”
- i. Name those **two (02)** competencies and explain in brief. (06 marks)
 - ii. Define the term ‘formative assessment’ and ‘summative assessment’. (06 marks)
 - iii. ‘Norm referenced assessment is better than the criterion referenced assessment’ Do you agree with this statement? Justify your answer. (08 marks)
10. i. Define the term ‘learning environment’ (05 marks)
- ii. Discuss the importance of providing positive learning environment for children in pre-schools and primary schools. (05 marks)
 - iii. Explain how you would design a stimulating classroom for either pre-school or primary school children. (10 marks)
11. i. What is meant by the term pedagogical professionalism? (05 marks)
- ii. Explain the importance of ‘pedagogical professionalism’ (07 marks)
 - iii. Explain how you can be an effective primary school teacher? (08 marks)
12. “Buchberger (2000) noted that, teachers have to take four main roles”
- i. List out those **four (04)** main roles and explain them in brief. (08 marks)
 - ii. Analyse the situation of current Sri Lankan Primary school teachers. (12 marks)
13. i. Define following terms.
- a. Teacher-centred education
 - b. Learner-centred education (08 marks)
- ii. A transition from “teacher-centred’ education to ‘learner-centred’ education is necessary.”
- Do you agree with the above statement? Justify your answer with relevant examples. (12 marks)

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