THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

B.A IN ENGLISH AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING - LEVEL 6

FINAL EXAMINATION - June 2011

PRINCIPLES OF EDUCATION - ESU 4101

DURATION - TWO HOURS (02 hours)

DATE: 25. 06. 2011 TIME: 1.30 pm. - 3.30pm.

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN PART (A) and ANY TWO FROM PART (B).

PART - A

1. Differentiate between "education" and "training". Give examples.
2. What are the four pillars of education described by 'Learning: the Treasure Within"?
3. "Education is a process which brings about the **total development** of the individual." Briefly explain what do you understand by "total development."
4. What are the five stages of the educational programme proposed by Plato?
5. Differentiate between aims and objectives of education. Give relevant examples.
6. Briefly explain the "Core competencies" proposed by the National Education Commission in 2003 (NEC, 2003)
7. Define "culture". Illustrate your definition.
8. Briefly explain your understanding of "peer learning".
9. Distinguish between formal, nonformal and informal education.
10. Write a short note on "Open School of the National Institute of Education.".

(50 marks)

PART - B

11. (i) Compare and contrast the educative philosophies of John Dewey and Mahatma Gandhi.

(10 marks)

(ii) In your opinion whose philosophy of the above two philosophers will be useful to address the educational challenges of the 21st century in Sri Lanka. Substantiate your answer.

(15 marks)

12. Write short notes on any **THREE** of the following.

i) Plato's educational thought

ii) Value education

iii) Parenting styles

iv) Social stratification

(25 marks)

13. (i) Briefly explain the concepts of "education" and "development".

(05 marks)

(ii) Does education have a role to play in a country's economic development.

(10 marks)

(iii) How successfully education has played its role in the development process of Sri Lanka? Illustrate your answer.

(10 marks)

14. (i) What do you understand by "social mobility"?

(05 marks)

(ii) Does social class influence social mobility of individuals? Illustrate your answer.

(10 marks)

(iii) What are your suggestions to remove obstacles at school level caused by social class?

(10 marks)

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