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THE OPEN UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA

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

FINAL EXAMINATION - December 2012

PRINCIPLES OF EDUCATION - ESU 4101

DURATION - TWO HOURS (02 hours)

DATE: 10. 12. 2012 TIME: 1.30 pm. - 3.30pm.

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

PART - A

1. Define the concept of "Education". Illustrate your answer.
2. Briefly explain "Core Competencies" proposed by the National Education Commission (NEC, 2007) of Sri Lanka.
3. Give four reasons why a knowledge of educational philosophy is useful to teachers.
4. Distinguish between "norms and values." Explain with appropriate examples.
5. Give four aims of adult education according to UNESO (1976).
6. Briefly explain the difference between intergenerational and intragenerational social mobility. Give suitable examples.
7. Give four features of 'counter school culture.'
8. Differentiate aims and objectives of education with relevant examples.
9. "Education is a process that brings about **total development** of the individual". Explain what is meant by total development.
10. What are the four pillars of education as described by 'Learning the Treasure Within'?

(50 marks)

11. "Education is considered both

(i) consumption and investment ."

Do you agree with the above statement? Illustrate your answer.

(10 marks)

(ii) Evaluate the role of education in the post – colonial development of Sri Lanka.

(15 marks)

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

i) Life long education

ii) Educational philosophy of John Dewey

iii) Education and Training

iv) Distance education in Sri Lanka (OUSL)

(25 marks)

13. (i) Distinguish between formal, non-formal and informal education.

(05 marks)

(ii) What are the special characteristics of non – formal education?

(10 marks)

(iii) Assess the role of non – formal education towards personal and societal development.

(10 marks)

14. "Education is nothing but socialization." *Emile Durkheim*

(i) Do you agree with the above statement? Explain with examples.

(05 marks)

(ii) Assess the role of family in socializing a child.

(10 marks)

(iii) Do you think the peer group has a stronger influence in the socialization of an adolescent? Support your argument with evidence.

(10 marks)

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