



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2010/2011

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES)

ECE 101: GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY

DATE: MONDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER 2010

TIME: 2.00 P.M. - 4.00 P.M.

SECTION A – 30 MARKS – SHORT ANSWERS

Answer ALL Questions.

1. Define the following terms:
 - (i) Psychology
 - (ii) Personality
 - (iii) Perception
 - (iv) Theory

(5 marks)
2. Name **three** sub-fields of Psychology. State how each influences human beings.

(5 marks)
3. What is the procedure of scientific enquiry? Give a relevant example.

(5 marks)
4. Describe briefly learning according to “Operant Conditioning.”

(5 marks)
5. Outline **two** types of intelligence tests that are done on children.

(5 marks)
6. Analyse **three** social behaviours commonly applied in mob justice. Give relevant examples.

(5 marks)

SECTION B - 40 MARKS

Answer TWO Questions.

7. (a) Discuss the roots of modern psychology and give **three** key persons.
State their contribution. (10 marks)
- (b) What is involved in Naturalistic Observation give **four** advantages
of this approach in pre-school children's studies. (10 marks)
8. (a) Elaborate on **Intrinsic** and **Extrinsic** motivation of pre-school children.
What needs of children should pre-school children's studies. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain basic emotions according to Ornstein, (1985). What steps
will a class teacher take to appease an aggressive child? (10 marks)
9. (a) Describe **three** influences of environment on children of 0-6 years.
Would there be any difference in twins reared separately? (10 marks)
- (b) Some children want to hide their failures using defence mechanism.
Describe **five** examples of such defence mechanisms according to
psycho-analytic theory. (10 marks)
10. (a) Pre-school teachers use various ways of rewarding children. Describe
three schedules of reinforcements and give relevant examples. (10 marks)
- (b) Explain **two** theories of perception. How does the pre-school teacher
encourage more interpretation from given information? (10 marks)
