



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2008/2009

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

ECE 211: PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT

DATE: Monday 1st December 2008

TIME: 11.00am-1.00pm

SECTIONA: Short answers (30 marks)

Instructions

1. Answer all questions
2. Each question carries 5 marks

Q1. Define the following concepts

- i) Personality
- ii) Emotion
- iii) Individual differences
- iv) Defence mechanism
- v) Motivation

(5marks)

Q2. List down five environmental factors that influence personality development of an ECD child.

(5marks)

- Q3. i) According to Sigmund Freud ego acts as a balance in an individual's personality development. Briefly explain giving three reasons why you think this statement is true. (2marks)
- ii) Briefly provide the differences between Oedipus and Electra complexes in personality development. (2marks)
- Q4. i) With examples explain three similarities between Eric Erickson's psychosocial theory and psychoanalytic theory of Sigmund Freud. (3marks)
- ii) Differentiate between intrinsic and extrinsic motivation. (2marks)
- Q5. Personality would rather be assessed or appraised rather than measured. Give five reasons. (5marks)
- Q6. Write down five family problems that would drastically interfere with effective personality development of growing children. (5marks)

SECTION B: Long answers (40marks)

Instructions

- 1. Attempt any TWO questions**
- 2. Each question carries 20 marks**

- Q7. a) As an ECD teacher explain in details four ways in which you would apply Abraham Maslow's fundamental and psychological needs in enhancing children's personality. (12marks)
- b) Giving examples write down four ways in which sublimation defense mechanism would prepare ECD learners for their future professions. (8marks)

- Q8. a) Assume that you are handling a very dull ECD class. Explain giving four methods you would apply to motivate the class. (10marks)
- b) Providing four reasons explain why as an ECD teacher you would rather put more emphasis on the use of intrinsic motivation than extrinsic. (10marks)
- Q9. a) You would like to assess the personality of your pre-school children. Describe four ways you would use to carry out the exercise. (12marks)
- b) Using the idea of “individual differences” explain four ways you can use to best promote learning standards in an ECD class. (8marks)
- Q10. a) A pre-school is a social institution where a child’s personality can be developed. State four areas you would train Baby class children in to make them fit in the new society they have just joined. (12marks)
- b) A father of one of your pre-school children is proposing to divorce his wife because she has a brown child while both parents are black. Using the laws of average variation and regression explain to the parents why it is normal for their child to be brown while they are black. (8marks)