



KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2010/2011

FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DOCTORATE

DEGREE PROGRAMME

ECE 601: ADVANCED CHILD DEVELOPMENT THEORY

DATE: MONDAY, 22ND NOVEMBER 2010

TIME: 2.00 P.M. - 5.00 P.M.

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTIONS 1 IN SECTION A
AND ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN SECTION B.**

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION (30 marks)

1. Compare and contrast the contributions of Piaget and Vygotsky in early education highlighting with concrete examples the significance of their theories practically in schools. In addition, describe the criticisms that have been raised in their research.

SECTION B: LONG ANSWER QUESTIONS (40 marks)

Instructions: Answer only two questions from this Section.

1. Discuss the contributions of Erick Erickson in the development of early education. Give concrete examples to support your argument. (20 marks)
2. Zone of Proximal Development is myth and does not contribute anything of value to early childhood education. Refute or support this statement. Justify your stand. (20 marks)
3. Discuss the contribution of Sigmoid Freud in the field of early childhood education highlighting any useful attribute of his theory that you can apply in a classroom situation. (20 marks)
4. Discuss at least four contributions of information processing theory applicable in early childhood education and provide justification for each. (20 marks)
