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DIGITAL SCHOOL OF VIRTUAL & OPEN LEARNING

SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

STUDIES

**ECE 034/056: INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH METHODS IN EARLY
CHILDHOOD AND FAMILY STUDIES**

DATE: SATURDAY 2ND MAY 2015

TIME: 8.00 A.M. – 10.00 A.M.

INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS (30 MARKS)

1. Give any four characteristics of a good hypothesis. (6 marks)
2. Explain any three ways in which interviews are usually conducted. (6 marks)
3. Briefly explain any three importances of observation in early childhood research. (6 marks)
4. Explain any four advantages of using questionnaires over other methods of data collection. (6 marks)
5. Highlight any four importance considerations you should take into account when collecting information from children. (6 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS (40 MARKS)

6. Explain the various process involved in doing quantitative research (20 marks)
7. a) Explain the meaning of action research. (3 marks)
b) Describe the process involved in conducting action research (12 marks)
c) Explain any five advantages of action research (5 marks)
8. a) What is a child centred research? (4 marks)
b) Describe the four principles of child centred approach. (8 marks)
c) Give any eight qualities of a child centred researcher. (8 marks)