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**ONLINE EXAMS
CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU
DEPARTMENT: PSYCHOLOGY
COURSE CODE: MCA 600/MCP 507
COURSE TITLE: CHILD AND ADOLESCENCE ABNORMALITIES
EXAM DATE: FRIDAY APRIL 9, 2021
DURATION: 3 HOURS
TIME: 6:00 PM 9:00 PM**

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- **Answer question 1 and any other TWO questions**
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

Question 1

(20 Marks)

- a) Outline how a caregiver can determine abnormalities in a child. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss any two behavioral manifestations of children presenting with ADHD. (4 marks)
- c) Outline any two symptoms of autism spectrum disorder. (4 marks)
- d) Distinguish between fear and anxiety disorder and show which of the two has devastating effects. (4 marks)
- e) Describe any two criteria for measuring abnormality in children. (4 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS (EACH QUESTION CARRIES 10 MARKS)

Question 2

- a) Explain the reason autism is referred to as a spectrum. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss any three factors leading to the development of ADHD. (6 marks)

Question 3

- a) In two paragraphs, show how a therapist can use CBT to change a child's maladaptive behavior. (4 marks)
- b) Describe any two types of anxiety disorders and how they affect children. (6 marks)

Question 4

- a) Explain how classroom behavior interactions are helpful in the management of children with ADHD (4 marks)
- b) Parents who use insecure attachment contribute to their children developing separation anxiety disorder. Justify this statement (6 marks)

Question 5

- a) Behavior may be abnormal when it hinders someone from his/her normal functioning. Explore. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss the significance of a therapist/counsellor receiving training in child abnormalities. (6 marks)