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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY**

**JANUARY-APRIL 2019 SEMESTER**

**CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU**

**DEPARTMENT: PSYCHOLOGY**

**COURSE CODE: COU4343**

**COURSE TITLE: CHILD DEVELOPMENT**

**EXAM DATE: THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019**

**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

**TIME: 5:30PM-8:30PM**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- Write your **STUDENT NUMBER** in the Answer Booklet given
- **Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions**
- *Write clearly and legibly.*
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

### QUESTION ONE: COMPULSORY

(a) Briefly discuss the following terms:

- i) Child growth (3 mks)
- ii) Child development (3 mks)
- iii) Heredity (3 mks)
- iv) Brain (3 mks)
- v) Neurons (3 mks)

(b) Lazarus, a 32-year old man has consulted with you about the health of his child. His five-year old son Lamech has been diagnosed with a problem which the doctor had earlier mentioned as probably resulting from the parents' genes or human error during pregnancy. Lazarus has been advised by his child's class teacher to consult with you about the same. He has visited your counselling center to seek clarity on his child's problem.

- i) Explain to Lazarus the biological formation of a child. (3 mks)
- ii) Outline any two probable environmental factors that could have affected Lamech's development at prenatal stage. (4 mks)
- iii) List any three things the parents could have considered before conceiving. (3 mks)
- iv) Indicate the role of the central nervous system and the brain in this Lamech's development. (3 mks)
- v) Indicate any confidentiality dilemma in your client's case. (2 mks)

(c) Continued therapies on the above case (b), indicate that Lamech has a learning problem.

- i) Analyze Lamech's learning challenge through Bandura's view of learning through observation. (3 mks)
- ii) Discuss how you can help Lazarus to appreciate the role of a medical doctor in his child's case. (3 mks)
- iii) Explore with Lazarus the importance of special education center for his son. (3 mks)
- iv) Describe the purpose of social support group to parents with such children. (3 mks)
- v) Explain the importance of family therapies to Lazarus family (3 mks)

### QUESTION TWO

- i) In attachment view, a primary caregiver is the "compass-holder" for the child." Justify this concept. (4 mks)
- ii) Analyze any two insecure attachments styles. (6 mks)
- iii) Describe any two emotions of a child who has developed a good internal working model. (4 mks)

- iv) Explain how opposite sex parents can help their children integrate their social and sexual roles with their same sex parents in Oedipus stage of development. **(6 mks)**
- v) Explain the nature of children's bones at birth in relation to the concept of a child's ability to pass through the birth canal. **(4 mks)**
- vi) Analyze any three behaviours that may manifest in adulthood as a result of individual's fixation at the early psychosexual stages of development. **(6 mks)**

### QUESTION THREE

- i) Learning process is purported to take place at all places where the child is in interaction with others. Discuss the role of a primary caregiver in this process. **(4 mks)**
- ii) Differentiate with examples, the motor and cognitive development of a three year old boy and that one of 13 years. **(6 mks)**
- iii) Outline where emotions and cognitions are processed in the brain. **(4 mks)**
- iv) Discuss the concept of mirroring neurons in behaviour development. **(6 mks)**
- v) According to Kohlberg's early children moral reasoning is not consistent but dependent of reinforcements. Justify this concept. **(4 mks)**
- vi) Describe any three likely dangers that may occur during birth process. **(6 mks)**

### QUESTION FOUR

- i) Analyze any two behaviours manifested by teenagers who are insecurely attached. **(4 mks)**
- ii) Quantify what Piaget meant by stating that children's intellect is not solely dependent on biological factors. **(6 mks)**
- iii) Explain what Freud meant by suggesting that between six years and puberty, children's libido energy is static. **(4 mks)**
- iv) Child development theorists view home as a safe haven for child's holistic development. Justify this concept. **(6 mks)**
- v) Analyze the nature of child intellect at concrete-operation (7-11 years) stage of development. **(4 mks)**
- iv) Express the view of behaviour formation by Pavlov. **(6 mks)**

### QUESTION FIVE

- i) Explain the role of the society in an individual's behaviour formation. **4 mks)**

- ii) Identify any three risks that an expectant mother may encounter during pregnancy due poor health. (6 mks)
- iii) Analyze at least two characteristics of a child counsellor. (4 mks)
- iii) Those children who do not have securely attached parents are likely to become alpha children. Justify this concept with examples. (6 mks)
- iv) Describe the importance of the five senses in behaviour formation. (4 mks)
- v) Discuss the importance of this course to a counselling trainee. (6 mks)