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BDS 4104: DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SERIES: APRIL 2016

TIME: 2 HOURS

DATE: Pick Date Select Month 2016

Instructions to Candidates

You should have the following for this examination

-Answer Booklet, examination pass and student ID

This paper consists of **FOUR** questions. Attempt question ONE (Compulsory) and any other TWO questions.

Do not write on the question paper.

Question ONE

- a. Differentiate between cephalocaudal and proximodistal trends of development (4 marks)
- b. Explain how John Locke contributed to the understanding of child Psychology as a scientific discipline (4 marks)
- c. Distinguish between meiosis and mitosis (4 marks)
- d. Outline any three threats to a zygote during the first trimester of the gestation period (3 marks)
- e. Explain the following neonatal reflexes: (4 marks)
 - i. Babinski reflex
 - ii. Rooting reflex
- f. Highlight four features of the pre-operational stage of cognitive development by Piaget (4 marks)
- g. Explain three reasons why peers are important to adolescents (3 marks)

h. Identify four developmental tasks of late adulthood as proposed by Havighurst (4 marks)

Question TWO

a. Define the term 'moral development'. (2 marks)

b. Discuss Lawrence Kohlberg's theory of moral development (18 marks)

Question THREE

a. Using examples, describe the following adolescent complexes: (6 marks)

i. Imaginary audience

ii. Naïve idealism

iii. Personal fable

b. Using appropriate examples, discuss reasons for strained parent-adolescent relationships (10 marks)

c. Using Mary Ainsworth's Strange Situation experiment, identify four attachment types (4 marks)

Question FOUR

a. Using the model as proposed by Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, identify the four stages one goes through to death (4 marks)

b. Explain the development of gender identity from the perspective of Freud and Kohlberg (6 marks)

c. Identify any five agents of socialization and their roles in child development (10 marks)

Question FIVE

a. State two physical characteristics of a neonate (2 marks)

b. Explain the structure of personality according to Sigmund Freud (12 marks)

c. Describe the embryonic stage of prenatal development (6 marks)