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## **BDS 4104: DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY**

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

**SERIES:** DECEMBER, 2013

**TIME:** 2 HOURS

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

**SECTION A – COMPULSORY**

**SECTION B – Answer any other TWO questions**

-This paper consists of 2 printed pages

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### **SECTION A: COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)**

#### **QUESTION 1**

- a) Define the following terms as used in the study of human growth and development citing relevant examples:
- (i) Attachment (3 marks)
  - (ii) Maturation (3 marks)
  - (iii) Differential growth and development. (3 marks)
- b) (i) Identify the focus of life span development using relevant examples. (3 marks)
- (ii) Enumerate major periods of life span development giving their age limits. (8 marks)
- c) Using relevant examples explain the significance of the study of human growth and development in contemporary society. (10 marks)

### **.SECTION B: Answer ANY TWO questions (40 marks)**

#### **QUESTION 2**

a) Citing relevant examples analyze environmental factors that may cause birth defects in relation to human growth and development. **(14 marks)**

b) Describe how you would enhance social development in an infant using existing potentialities. **(6 marks)**

**QUESTION 3**

a) Using relevant examples explain how the principles of growth and development aid understanding. **(12 marks)**

b) Describe how you would use Piaget’s pre-operational thought and concrete operations stages of development to develop educational and recreational activities for the children. **(8 marks)**

**QUESTION 4**

You have been appointed supervisor of researchers in a developmental research exercise. Enlighten them on the relevant data collection methods and the possible challenges they may encounter as they undertake the research. **(20 marks)**

**QUESTION 5**

a) Identify **FOUR** methods of testing personality. **(4 marks)**

b) “Personality is the consistent behaviour in a person” Critically analyze this statement citing examples. **(16 marks)**