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EARLY
EDUCATION
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CHILDCARE
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Paper 1

Answer all questions.



Question 1*Marks Code*

- (a) Describe the **linguistic** development of children in **one** of the following age ranges: **3 – 5 years, 8 – 12 years**. 6 KU
- (b) Identify and explain **one positive** and **one negative** influence on children's **physical** development. 6 2KU
4AE
- (c) Explain the influence of nature and nurture on children's development. 4 AE
- (d) Luca was an energetic and friendly 5 year old in P1 enjoying the full range of school activities, especially reading stories and using the computer. He has just moved into a composite P2/3 class. At Parents' Night his new teacher expresses concern about his behaviour. He is refusing to complete worksheets and is having difficulty with handwriting and staying on-task in all classroom activities.
Identify **one** influence on Luca's development and analyse its impact on his all-round development. 5 1KU
4AE
- (e) What are the main features and principles of children's growth and physical development? 4 KU
(25)

Question 2

- (a) (i) Describe **one** theory of cognitive development in children. 8 KU
- (ii) Evaluate how a knowledge of the theory chosen in (i) could assist an adult working with children in promoting holistic child development. 8 AE
- (b) From the following list describe **three** methods of studying the development of children.
case studies
surveys
longitudinal studies
experiments
naturalistic observations
structured descriptions 6 KU
- (c) Evaluate in terms of effectiveness **one** method of studying child development. 3 AE
(25)

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