



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations for 2021/2022 Academic Year

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR IN EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD)

ECE 203: LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT IN ECE

DATE: 6/12/2021

TIME: 11.00-1.00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question ONE and any other two questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Describe **four (4)** components of language (8 marks)
- b) Describe Noam Chomsky's theory of language development (6 marks)
- c) Explain **three (3)** stages of children's language development (6 marks)
- d) List **six (6)** activities that teachers can use to enhance 3-6-year-old children's oral language development (6 marks)
- e) Explain **three (2)** Speech Production Errors (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

You have been invited by your county government as an expert in ECDE matters to speak to preschool teachers in the county about early reading. Discuss the points that you will share with them.

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Asses the role of family in the development of children's early literacy. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the challenges that families might face as they play their role in the education of their children (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss Sapir-Whorfian view of the relationship between language and culture. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss the implication of Sapir-Whorfian view for adults dealing with children (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) 'Competency Based Curriculum is burdening parents because of its involving nature'. Discuss (12 marks)
- b) Suggest what can be done to mitigate the challenges in (a) above (8 marks)