



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD)

ECE 407: LITERATURE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

DATE: 23/8/2022

TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

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## INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions

### QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain **three (3)** Categories of Genres of Children Literature (6 marks)
- b) Identify **three (3)** Reasons why it's important to use Poetry in Early Years Education (6 marks)
- c) Explain **six (6)** characteristics of Children's literature (6 marks)
- d) Explain **six (6)** reasons why parents should tell stories to their children (6 marks)
- e) 'Telling a Story can serve as a healing effect on children' Explain this statement (6 marks)

### QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) "Parents play a role in children's Language Growth through Literature". Evaluate this statement (10 marks)
- b) Examine **Five (5)** benefits of songs and rhymes in an ECDE classroom. (10 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) "Multicultural literature can be used as a tool to open students' minds. It helps to stimulate an understanding of diversity in the classroom and helps to build an understanding of and

respect for people from other cultures”. Critique this statement. (10 marks)

b) Analyze six (6) guidelines for selecting multicultural children's literature (10 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

“Literature should be valued at home and in schools for the enrichment it gives to the personal lives of children, as well as for its proven educational contributions”. Discuss.

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

Critically examine the relationship between children’s Literature and Language Development