



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY, SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION
AND EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION

EPS 0101: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

DATE: 1/8/2017

TIME: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain the following Terms and concepts as they are used in psychology (12 marks)
- Behavior
 - Concepts formation
 - Mental processes
 - Egocentric thought
- b) Describe five branches of psychology (10 marks)
- c) Explain four environmental factors that influence learning in school (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain the domains of learning according to Blooms. (6 marks)
- b) Discuss heredity disorders that may affect learning (14 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss psychology as a scientific study. (10 marks)
- b) Explain how teachers and parents can help students to improve in memory (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Briefly explain the main causes of abnormal behavior in individuals. (10 marks)
- b) Discuss one scientific method used by psychologists to gather information. (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe characteristics of the following (10 marks)
 - i. Adjusted personalities
 - ii. Maladjusted personalities
- b) Explain the educational implications on social learning theory according to Albert Bandura (10 marks)