



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

University Examinations 2022/2023 academic year

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY, SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION)

ESN 109: ASSESMENT IN SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

DATE: 18/4/2023

TIME: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your answers in the answer booklet provided
2. SECTION A is compulsory
3. Answer any other TWO questions from section B

SECTION A: COMPULSORY (30MARKS)

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Discuss six purposes of assessment in special needs (12 marks)
- b) Describe five emotional reactions that parents of a child with special needs are likely to go through after receiving assessment results. (10 marks)
- c) Explain four factors to consider when administering tests to learners with special needs (8 marks)

SECTION B (ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe seven assessment techniques used in the assessment of learners with Special Needs (14 marks)
- b) Examine three factors that can invalidate assessment results. (6 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

You have been appointed as an Education Assessment and Research Officer (EARC) in your sub-county. Discuss in details the roles you are expected to perform.

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain five steps that an assessor can take to ensure the protection of a child's interest during assessment (10 marks)
- b) Describe ten areas of assessment for a child suspected to have a disability (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Explain the role of the following multidisciplinary team members during assessment:

- i. Regular education teachers (5 marks)
- ii. School psychologists (5 marks)
- iii. School administrators (5 marks)
- iv. Special education teachers (5 marks)