



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND CURRICULUM STUDIES

..... YEAR SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA EDUCATION

EFN 0102: PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

1.
 - a) What is the meaning of the term philosophy? (2 marks)
 - b) Define education (2 marks)
 - c) Why should a teacher study philosophy of education? (8 marks)
 - d) Differentiate the four branches of philosophy (8 marks)
 - e) Distinguish inductive from deductive reasoning (2 marks)
 - f) Define knowledge according to each of the following philosophies; idealist, realist, pragmatist and existentialism? (8 marks)
2.
 - a) Differentiate between philosophies and theories of education (6 marks)
 - b) Explain three contemporary educational implications of Descartes' thinking (6 marks)
 - c) From a pragmatist view, explain four implications for today's class room teacher (8 marks)
3.
 - a) Explain four sources of knowledge (8 marks)

- b) Discuss the strengths and weaknesses inherent in both Athenian and Spartan education systems (12 marks)
- 4 a) Philosophy can be divided into three main activities, with examples explain each. (10 marks)
- b) Identify two educational implications for each of the following educational theories (10 marks)
- i. Progressivism
 - ii. perennialism
 - iii. Essentialism
 - iv. Social reconstructionism
 - v. Critical theory
5. Explain five contributions made by Greek education system to the Kenyan system of education (20 marks)