

# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

## REGULAR UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR THIRD YEAR FIRST SEMESTER

## SCHOOL OF EDUCATION BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

### COURSE CODE: ECDE 313 COURSE TITLE: METHODS OF TEACHING MATHEMATIC ACTIVITIES

DATE: 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2018

TIME: 0830 - 1030HRS

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATE** 

Attempt question 1 (ONE) and any other 2 (TWO) questions

#### **SECTION A**

- a. Using examples explain the following terms as used in mathematics
  - i. physical knowledge
  - ii. social knowledge
  - iii. logical mathematical knowledge

#### (6mks)

- b. Name two methods of constructing numbers according to Piaget. Give examples for each method. (4mks)
- c. Explain each of the two methods used by Piaget in number construction. (4mks)
- d. Define a 'number' according to Piaget? (2mks)
- **2.** a) List four (4) objectives of teaching mathematics to children. (4mks) b) Describe the various methods that teachers can use to help children identify different types of balls in a topic 'classification' in mathematics.

#### (6mks)

c) Using an example, describe how children conserve length in measurement. (4 mks)

#### **SECTION B**

- 3. a) Explain the activities you can give to children when teaching about:
  - i. Area
  - ii. Weight
  - iii. Volume
  - iv. Time

#### (8mks)

b. Describe the meaning of pre – number activities for prescholars.

#### (2mks)

c. Name and explain three types of pre- number activities

(6mks)

- d. Explain the importance of:
  - i. Meaning or actual counting. (2mks) (2mks)
  - ii. Meaning of conservation.

#### 4. a). Draw a detailed lesson plan to show how you can teach "number writing 1-10" (10mks)

- b) Children develop the concept of time in stages. Explain the three stages, using elaborate examples and activities. (6 mks)
- c) Outline various activities for
  - i. Matching and comparing
  - ii. Ordering activities
  - iii. Counting activities
  - iv. Volume

#### (4mks)

5. a) Describe the activities you can give children when teaching about shape (10 mks)

b) You have been requested by an ECD officer to give a talk on 'mathematics for young children'. What would you consider? (10 mks)

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