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**KISII CAMPUS-SCHOOL BASED**

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**COURSE CODE: EEC 3121**

**COURSE TITLE: LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AND LANGUAGE ACTIVITIES**

**EXAM VENUE:**

**STREAM: BED ECDE**

**DATE:**

**EXAM SESSION:**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

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**Instructions:**

- 1. Answer Question ONE (COMPULSORY) and ANY other 2 questions**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

### **QUESTION ONE**

- (a) Define the following terms as related to language.
- i. Language
  - ii. Communication
  - iii. Speech
  - iv. Syntax
  - v. Phonology
- (b) Differentiate between lexiscon and pragmatics
- (c) List four methods of teaching reading to young children
- (d) Name six considerations a teacher is to bear in mind when selecting materials for language activity in ECDE?
- (e) How can observation be enhanced in young children.
- (f) Name five general objectives of language activities in ECDE
- (g) What do parents do at home to help their children learn to read and write

(5 Marks)

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### **QUESTION TWO**

- (a) Explain the importance of language to young children
- (b) How is the first language useful to our children

(10 Marks)

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### **QUESTION THREE**

- (a) Discuss stages of language acquisition & development in young children
- (b) What factors should an ECDE teacher consider while selecting appropriate literature for children

( 10 Marks)

(10 Marks)

### **QUESTION FOUR**

- a) Explain the objectives of teaching language in ECDE
- b) Discuss the role of human language in child development

( 10 Marks)

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### **QUESTION FIVE**

- (a) Explain the following theories of language development in ECDE
- (i.) Language acquisition support system (class) bruner
  - (ii.) Information processing theory (Piaget)

(20 Marks)