



**Question 1 [30 marks]**

- a) Define the following terms:
  - i) Social studies (2marks)
  - ii) Curriculum(2marks)
  - iii) Achievement test (2marks)
  - iv) Authentic Assessment (2marks)
  - v) Summative assessment (2marks)
- b) Name any four factors that may influence the development of a social studies curriculum for children ages 3- 8year old. (4 marks)
- c) A number of themes form organizing strands for ECD social studies program. Name four themes that could be included in early childhood social studies curriculum.(4 marks)
- d) What do you understand by the term “Developmentally appropriate practice in relation to learning and teaching of young children?”(4 marks)
- e) Young children academic performance can be easily observed and graded as they interact with learning materials in their environment. Name four types of accomplishments that performance test require from ECD learners.(4 marks)
- f) Lev Vygotsky in his cognitive development theory developed two concepts of cognitive learning zones. Name the two concepts of learning Zones and explain how the concepts relate to the teaching of social studies to young children(4 marks)

**Question 2 [20 marks]**

- a) Discuss the rationale of teaching social studies as a subject to young children from ages 3years to eight years.( 8marks)
- b) One of the goals of teaching young children social studies is to equip them with knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for informed and thoughtful participation in the society. Discuss these aspects of the goal giving clear examples. (12 marks)

**Question 3 [20 marks]**

- a) The importance of play in teaching ECD children social studies has been recognized by many scholars and teachers who interact and teach them. Discuss how play can promote learning of social studies among young children.(10marks)
- b) Discuss how Piaget’s developmental theory can be applied to the teaching of social studies to young children.(10 marks)

**Question 4 [20 marks]**

- a.) Identify and discuss developmental characteristics of children that should be considered in planning social studies program for ECD children?  
**(10marks)**
- b.) Children learn most effectively through actions and when they are interested. Discuss the characteristics of effective pedagogy that can facilitate the learning of social studies by young children. **(10marks)**

**Question 5 [20 marks].**

- a) Discuss how young children would benefit from skilled evaluation in a social study program. **(10 marks)**
- b) Discuss activities that would make social studies lesson interesting and appealing to ECD children. **(10 marks)**