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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
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MASTER OF ARTS IN COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY

MAY – AUGUST 2022 SEMESTER

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: PSYCHOLOGY

COURSE CODE: MCP 507

COURSE TITLE: CHILD AND ADOLESCENT ABNORMALITIES

EXAM DATE:

DURATION: 3 Hours

TIME: 6:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- **Answer question 1 and any other TWO questions**
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

SECTION A: COMPULSORY (20 MARKS)

QUESTION 1

- a) Discuss any two behavior manifestations of each of the following child abnormalities:
 - (i) Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder – ADHD (4 marks)
 - (ii) Autism Spectrum Disorder (4 marks)
 - (iii) Separation Anxiety Disorder (4 marks)
- b) Distinguish between Oppositional Defiant Disorder and Conduct Disorder (4 marks)
- c) Explain any two ways the divorce of parents can affect a child's mental health (4 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

QUESTION 2

- a) Explain any two factors that are the etiology/source of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (4 marks)
- b) Describe any three criteria for measurement of abnormality in children (6 marks)

QUESTION 3

- a) Describe any two forms of child abuse and its effect on mental health (4 marks)
- b) Discuss any three intervention of Autism Spectrum Disorder (6 marks)

QUESTION 4

- a) Distinguish between Anxiety and Fear (4 marks)
- b) *Jozi is a 41 year old man who was referred for medical help after presenting with difficulty breathing but physicians found no medical explanation to it. Jozi's wife added that he often gets intense fear getting to peak levels in short moments, sweating, heart palpitations, chest pain and shortness of breath.*
 - (i) Assess and identify the psychopathology (2 marks)
 - (ii) Discuss any two symptoms informing your diagnosis (4 marks)

QUESTION 5

- a) Explain any two prominent themes of abnormality in children (4 marks)
- b) Describe any three approaches a therapist can apply when assessing a child (6 marks)