



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

FIRST SEMESTER SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF ARTS (COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY)

BACHELOR OF ARTS (GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT

BACHELOR OF ARTS

APS & EPS 100: INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY

DATE: 11/8/2021

TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Evaluate the differences between identical and fraternal twins (10 marks)
- b) Explain three disadvantages of using archival research as a way of collecting data. (6 marks)
- c) Citing relevant examples, appraise five types of acquired motives. (10 marks)
- d) Explain the nature-nurture controversy in psychology. (4 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Define psychology (2 marks)
- b) Explore four specific reasons for studying psychology. (8 marks)
- c) Describe five branches of modern psychology (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between sensation and perception. (4 marks)
- b) Discuss four factors that influence perception. (12 marks)
- c) Highlight four principles of perceptual grouping. (4 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Differentiate between primary and a secondary reinforcers giving an example of each. (4 marks)
- b) Describe the following phobias. (4 marks)
- i. Acrophobia
 - ii. Agoraphobia
 - iii. Claustrophobia
 - iv. Hydrophobia
- d) Explain three examples of extra-sensory perception. (6 marks)
- c) Describe three symptoms of psychotic behaviour. (6 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Appraise five forms of anxiety disorders. (10 marks)
- b) Explain the following terminologies as used in the Psychodynamic therapy. (10 marks)
- i) Psychodynamic therapy
 - ii) Free association
 - iii) Interpretation
 - iv) Slips of the tongue
 - v) Transference