



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY, SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL NEEDS EDUCATION)

ESN 218: AUGMENTATIVE AND ALTERNATIVE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question ONE in section A and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain five reasons why communication is important for learners with disabilities (10 marks)
- b) Highlight ten forms of non-verbal communication (10 marks)
- c) Discuss five factors affecting the use of AAC (10 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Highlight five key team members involved in the design and implementation of an AAC system (10 marks)
- b) Explain the role of each team member in a) above (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Explain five instances when AAC is recommended (10 marks)
- b) Describe five groups of AAC users (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss five factors that can lead to abandonment by the AAC user (10 marks)
- b) Suggest five ways of reducing abandonment (10 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Examine ten factors to consider during the selection of an AAC system for individuals with communication disorders (20 marks)