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End - Term Examinations - December 2025

Date: 22 - 12- 2025

Time: 09:30am - 12:30pm

School: SOLAS-PG	Program: MSc Psychology		
Course Code: MSP4102	Course Name: Developmental Theories		
Semester: I	Max Marks: 100	Weightage: 50%	

CO - Levels	C01	C02	C03	C04	C05
Marks	31	19	31	34	--

Instructions:

- (i) Read all questions carefully and answer accordingly.
- (ii) Do not write anything on the question paper other than roll number.

Part A

Answer ALL the Questions. Each question carries 3 marks.

10Q x 3 M=30M

1.	Define growth and development. How are they different?	3 Marks	L1	C01
2.	Explain any two research methods used in developmental psychology.	3 Marks	L1	C01
3.	Describe prenatal risk factors that may affect fetal development.	3 Marks	L1	C02
4.	List any three neonatal reflexes and state their adaptive value.	3 Marks	L1	C02
5.	Explain Piaget's concept of object permanence.	3 Marks	L1	C02
6.	What are parenting styles? Give examples.	3 Marks	L1	C03
7.	Describe the concept of gender stereotyping in childhood.	3 Marks	L1	C03
8.	Explain Arnett's concept of Emerging Adulthood.	3 Marks	L1	C04
9.	List physical changes seen during middle adulthood.	3 Marks	L1	C04
10.	What is the Socioemotional Selectivity Theory of aging?	3 Marks	L1	C04

Part B

Answer Any Four Questions. Each Question Carries 10 Marks.

4Q x 10M=40M

11.	Discuss Freud's Psychosexual Stages of Development with suitable examples.	10 Marks	L2	CO1
Or				
12.	Explain Erikson's Psychosocial Theory across the lifespan.	10 Marks	L2	CO1
Or				
13.	Describe prenatal developmental stages and discuss teratogens in detail.	10 Marks	L2	CO2
Or				
14.	Evaluate Bowlby's and Ainsworth's Attachment theories.	10 Marks	L3	CO2
Or				
15.	Explain childhood emotional development and factors influencing temperament.	10 Marks	L2	CO3
Or				
16.	Analyze James Marcia's Identity Formation theory in adolescence.	10 Marks	L3	CO3
Or				
17.	Discuss Sternberg's Triangular Theory of Love and its application in young adulthood.	10 Marks	L2	CO4
Or				
18.	Explain Levinson's Seasons of Life theory with suitable examples.	10 Marks	L2	CO4

Part C

Answer Any Two Questions. Each Question Carries 15 Marks.

2Q x 15M=30M

19.	Examine the major factors influencing human development with emphasis on heredity, environment, and epigenetics.	15 Marks	L3	CO1
Or				
20.	Critically evaluate Piaget's Cognitive Development Theory.	15 Marks	L3	CO1
Or				
21.	Analyze risk-taking behavior in adolescence using Steinberg's Dual Systems Model.	15 Marks	L3	CO4
Or				
22.	Evaluate the theories of aging with reference to Programmed Longevity, Wear and Tear, and Somatic DNA Damage theories.	15 Marks	L3	CO4