



**NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS**

2024 1 EXAMINATION

CODE: ECE 313

**TITLE: THEORIES AND PRACTICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD
EDUCATION**

CREDIT UNITS: 2

TIME: 2 HRS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question 1 and any other 2

Note: Question 1 carries 30marks while others carries 20marks each

Question 1.

a. Briefly discuss the following:

- (i) Childhood
- (ii) Childhood education
- (iii) Early childhood
- (iv) Early Childhood education
- (iii) Late childhood education.

(20 marks)

b. List four (4) objectives of early childhood education in Nigeria. **(10 marks)**

Question 2

a. Discuss the following:

- (i) growth
- (ii) maturation
- (iii) development

(12 marks)

b. State five (5) differences and similarities between growth and development. **(8 marks)**

Question 3.

a. Highlights of language development of a toddler **(12 marks)**

b. Explain any two of these stages. **(8 marks)**

Question 4.

a. List six (6) examples of behavioural difficulties found among children **(8 marks)**

b. State any three (3) ways of managing these behavioural difficulties. **(12 marks)**