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**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY (MMUST)
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEA
FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
SPECIAL/ SUPPLIMENTARY EXAM
FOR
THE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION
(EARLY YEARS OF EDUCATION)**

COURSE CODE: EYE 014

**COURSE TITLE: BASICS OF LANGUAGE IN EARLY
CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

DATE: 29th July 2022

TIME: 11:00 - 1:00 am

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question **One** and any other **Two** questions

TIME: 2 Hours

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

SECTION ONE

QUESTION ONE

a. Define the following terms as used in language in early childhood development (5 marks)

- i. Language
- ii. Semantics
- iii. Communication
- iv. Listening
- v. Non-verbal communication

b. Briefly explain three (3) stages in which the child's writing develops (6 marks)

c. Describe "Look and Say" as a method of teaching reading and writing skills in preschool (5 marks)

d. What does the statement "Zone of proximal development" mean? (2 marks)

e. State the implications of Language Acquisition Support System by Brunner (5 marks)

f. State five objectives of teaching language to young children (5 marks)

g. Explain "imitation" as a mode of language acquisition in children (2 marks)

SECTION TWO

QUESTION TWO

a. Discuss the stages of language development in children (10 marks)

b. Briefly explain five (5) methods of assessing children's language achievement (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE

a. Discuss the functions of human language (10 marks)

b. Children develop language in stages. Discuss the stages (10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- a. Discuss the Language Acquisition Device Theory by Noam Chomsky (10 marks)
- b. Language has a role in communication. Discuss (10 marks)