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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
(MMUST)**

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY**

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS  
2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR FIRST YEAR EXAMINATIONS  
SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAM  
FOR  
THE BACHELOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE  
(EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION)**

**COURSE CODE: ECD 102**

**COURSE TITLE: SOCIAL INTERACTION IN EARLY YEARS**

**DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2022**

**TIME: 2.00-4.00PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and any other TWO questions

MMUST observes ZERO tolerance to examination cheating

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### QUESTION ONE

- a. Discuss the importance of play in socialization of young children ( 6mks)
- b. What do the following terms and phrases mean in social interaction context ?
  - i. Mass Media
  - ii. Peer group
  - iii. Neighbourhood ( 6mks)
- c. "Social Competence is one main trait that every parent is seeking to promote in their children ' Discuss its importance (8 mks )
- d. 'Children show varying levels of social competence depending on a number of factors ' Discuss four of these factors (8mks )

### QUESTION TWO

"Mass media and Technology has enormous effect on children's attitudes and behavior, and contributes highly to the socialization process" Justify ( 20mks )

### QUESTION THREE

- a Highlight changes that have occurred over time in the following social structures
- i. Family
  - ii. Community
  - iii. Childcare Centers
  - iv. School
  - v. Religion ( 10mks)
- b Trace socialization through the lifespan (10mks)

### QUESTION FOUR

Peers, particularly group members, become important social referents for teaching members' customs, social norms, and different ideologies Discuss ( 20 mk)

### QUESTION FIVE

Mass media and Technology has enormous effects on children's attitudes and behavior and contributes highly to the socialization process Justify (20mks)