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CODE AND NAME OF COURSE: PSYC2012 DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY

DATE AND TIME: DURATION: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES: This paper has one (1) page and five (5) questions. Answer the question in Section A and any two (2) questions in Section B

SECTION A

Answer this question (20 Marks)

1. The adolescent period has been described as the most significant period in human development.
   a. Give a definition of adolescence and expand for clarification
   b. What age range do you think is suitable for the Caribbean and give reasons for your choice
   c. Name two theorists and show how their contributions would explain the transition
      (i) Childhood to Adolescence
      (ii) Adolescence to Adulthood

SECTION B

Answer two (2) questions only (20 Marks each)

2. Jean Paul Piaget is better known for his contribution to Cognitive Development than Moral Development
   (a) What was his contribution on development in the first five years of life
   (b) What are some of the criticisms of his theory

3. Give a definition of late Adulthood
   (a) What are the main physiological changes that indicate the transition has been made to this era
   (b) What psychological changes take place and what adjustments are needed to cope with the transition

4. Erik Erikson broke away from Sigmund Freud.
   (a) Describe the model used by Erik Erikson in the preadolescent period.
   (b) Describe the model used by Sigmund Freud in that same period
   (c) What are the similarities and differences?

5. What do you understand by the term ‘Moral Development’?
   Describe the contributions of two theorists on this topic and show the strengths and weaknesses of their contribution.

END OF QUESTION PAPER