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(Department of Early Childhood Education and Elementary Teacher Education)

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Course: Teaching Literacy (1628) Semester: Spring, 2025

Level: PGD ECE

Please read the following instructions for writing your assignments. (AD, BS, B.Ed. MA/MSc, MEd) (ODL Mode)

- 1. All questions are compulsory and carry equal marks but within a question, the marks are distributed according to its requirements.
- 2. Read the question carefully and then answer it according to the requirements of the question.
- 3. Avoid irrelevant discussion/information and reproducing from books, study guides, or allied material.
- 4. Handwritten scanned assignments are not acceptable.
- 5. Upload your typed (in Word or PDF format) assignments on or before the due date.
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Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50

ASSIGNMENT No.1 Unit 1-5

- Q1. What is the importance of literacy and reading, and what are the key components of early literacy development? (20)
- Q2. How can fluency in reading be developed in multilingual contexts? What are the stages of reading development? (20)

- Q3. What are the principles of teaching writing? How does oral language serve as the foundation for writing skills? (20)
- Q4. Why is numeracy important in early childhood education, and what activities can support numeracy learning at this stage? (20)
- Q5. What are the key areas of early reading and writing skills? What instructional strategies can be used to promote word recognition at early literacy levels? (20)

Total Marks: 100 Pass Marks: 50

ASSIGNMENT 2

Unit 6-9

- Q1 a) List and explain any three key elements for establishing a literacy-rich classroom environment for young learners. (10)
 - b) Describe how each of these three elements contributes to reading development. (10)
- Q2 a) List and explain two more key elements for establishing a literacy-rich classroom environment. (10)
 - b) Describe how each of these additional elements contributes to reading development. (10)
- Q3 a) Propose any two practical strategies for teachers or parents to develop reading habits in children aged 6–9 years. (10)
 - b) Suggest one more strategy to sustain these reading habits over time. (10)
- Q4 a) Identify a common challenge in teaching early writing skills (e.g., emergent writing). Describe one specific practical intervention to support children facing this challenge. (10)
 - b) Describe a second intervention and explain how it addresses the difficulty. (10)
- Q5 a) Design a simple activity for early elementary students aimed at improving text comprehension skills. (10)
 - b) Explain how this activity directly targets and strengthens comprehension. (10)