



GARISSA UNIVERSITY

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION 2017/2018 ACADEMIC YEAR TWO
SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

COURSE CODE: EDP 211

COURSE TITLE: SUBJECT METHODS PHYSICS

EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS

DATE: 17/04/18

TIME: 09.00-12.00 PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- **The examination has SIX (6) questions**
- **Question ONE (1) is COMPULSORY**
- **Choose any other THREE (3) questions from the remaining FIVE (5) questions**
- **Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary**
- **Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room**
- **Do not write on this paper**

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- (a) Define science [1 mark]
- (b) Explain the static and dynamic views of nature of science [4 marks]
- (c) Explain two approaches of teaching science in secondary schools [4 marks]
- (d) State and explain three types of questions in science [3 marks]
- (e) State three Safety procedures in the laboratory [3 marks]
- (f) State three advantages of using improvised laboratory apparatus [3 marks]
- (g) State two importance's of science and technology to young children [2 marks]
- (h) Explain three methods of teaching science to young children [3 marks]
- (i) State four characteristics of good science teacher [2 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Explain five roles of the teacher in teaching and learning of science activities [5 marks]
- (b) Describe five activities that teachers can use to develop science skills [10 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- (a) Differentiate between inferring and predicting as skills learnt in science [2 marks]
- (b) Explain four implications of John Dewey theory to teaching and learning of science [8 marks]
- (c) Differentiate teacher and child centered approaches in the teaching and learning of science [2 marks]
- (d) State two science activities that are child centered and two that are teacher centered [3 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

- (a) Explain three modes of presenting knowledge and experience according to Jerome Bruner [12 marks]
- (b) State three importance of assessing learners [3 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

- (a) Explain the three Jean Piaget's stages of cognitive development in children [12 marks]
- (b) Distinguish formative, summative and diagnostic assessment methods [3 marks]

QUESTION SIX

- (a) Explain three implications of Jean Piaget's theory of cognitive development to science teaching. [6 marks]
- (b) Describe the steps involved in the scientific problem solving process [9 marks]

