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FINAL EXAMINATION PAPER  
MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.Ed)

COURSE CODE : EFM619

TITLE OF PAPER : PHYSICAL, SOCIAL AND PERSONALITY  
DEVELOPMENT

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : ANSWER QUESTION ONE (1) AND ANY  
OTHER TWO QUESTIONS OF YOUR  
CHOICE.

TOTAL MARKS 100

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GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS OF YOUR CHOICE**

**Question 1: Compulsory**

- (a) Critically discuss the concepts of “nature” and “nurture” (heredity and environment) as they affect and influence individuals. [10 marks]
- (b) With the help of appropriate illustrations show how
- (i) Significant others like parents and teachers may shape a child’s personality. [15 marks]
- (ii) Environmental factors may influence physical development. [15 marks]

**Total: 40 marks**

**Question 2**

Humanistic Psychologists had two main targets amongst the different schools of thought in Psychology.

- a) Which schools of thought were these targets? (4 marks)
- b) Discuss the grounds for the disagreement/contention using any two points on which each of the above schools were criticised. (20 marks)
- c) Which position would you take in this controversy and why? (6 marks)

**Total: 30 marks**

**Question 3**

- a) Explain how the search for identity is or can be a major pre-occupation for adolescents? [10 marks]
- b) Citing any three of Erikson’s psychosocial stages of personality development, show how the search for identity is central to his theory. (20 marks)

**[30 marks]**

**Question 4**

With the aid of examples from real life situations, discuss the following

as propounded by the theorists.

- a. Accomplishments and failures of midlife, (Erikson).
- b. The id as the driving force in our lives, (Freud)
- c. The individual as a creator of his/her own understanding, (Kelly).
- d. Personality characteristics of the mesomorph, that is, the muscular athletic type individual, (Sheldon).
- e. The ego as it obeys the reality principle (Freud)

5 x 6 marks each = 20 marks