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COURSE : NUR 450

TITLE OF PAPER : NORMAL PSYCHOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT

DURATION : 3 HOURS

MARKS: : 100

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS**
- 2. WRITE EACH QUESTION ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER**

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Question One

The theory of cognition according to Erickson, adequate normal growth and development depends largely on the nature of assimilation and accommodation that occur in young individuals as the result of some experiences that the young individuals go through in life.

Clearly discuss as to how do assimilation and accommodation influence the normal growth and development of the young individuals physically, mentally, emotionally, psychosocially and spiritually?

a) Assimilation influencing the:

1. physical
2. mental and
3. emotional.

(15 marks)

b) Accommodation influencing the psychosocial and spiritual.

(10 marks)

Question Two

Still referring to the synopsis in question one, relying on your own understanding, discuss as to how negative accommodation would impair normal growth and development physical, mental, emotional, psychosocial and spiritual following assimilation in young individuals.

[25 marks]

Question Three

Normal growth and development of young individuals could be affected by a number of factors in life. Some of the factors prevail during pregnancy, delivery, infancy, childhood and adolescence.

a) Discuss three factors during pregnancy.

(15 marks)

b) Discuss two factors during delivery.

(10 marks)

Question Four

Relying on question one, what would be some of the parental stumbling blocks that would hinder normal growth and development during adolescents stage, discuss five.

[25 marks]