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Leaving Certificate Applied 2002

Vocational Specialism – Childcare/Community Care

(240 marks)

Monday, 10 June
Afternoon, 2.00 to 3.30

Directions to Candidates

1. Write your EXAMINATION NUMBER in this space:

2. WRITE ALL ANSWERS INTO THIS ANSWER BOOK.

3. Candidates should answer a total of **four** questions.

Each question should be selected from a different section.

There are **five** sections in this paper.

Candidates should answer questions from **four** sections only.

Each question carries 60 marks.

<i>For the Superintendent only</i>	<i>For the Examiner only</i>	
Centre Stamp	1. Total of end of page totals	
	2. Aggregate total of all disallowed questions	
	3. Total mark awarded (1 minus 2)	
	4. Bonus mark for answering through Irish (if applicable)	
	5. Total mark awarded if Irish Bonus. (3 + 4)	
Note: The mark in row 3 (or row 5 if an Irish bonus is awarded) must equal the mark in the Mór-Iomlán box on the script.		

Section 1 – The Care of Babies and Young Children

(Attempt either Question 1 or Question 2 if answering this section.
Each question carries 60 marks)

1. (a) Outline how cross-contamination could be avoided when preparing a baby's feeding bottle. (12 marks)

- (b) State the age at which it is safe to give a baby cow's milk. (4 marks)

- (c) List **two** advantages and **two** disadvantages of buying and using tinned or dried baby foods. (12 marks)

Advantages

1. _____
2. _____

Disadvantages

1. _____
2. _____

2. (a) List the products **and** equipment that are available on the market to help to make baby's bath time safe and pleasant. (12 marks)

Products	Equipment
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Explain the purpose and give the approximate cost of any **two** of the items you have listed above. (12 marks)

1. Item _____

Purpose _____

Approximate cost _____

2. Item _____

Purpose _____

Approximate cost _____

- (b) Describe step by step how to bath a baby safely. (12 marks)

- (c) How would you ensure the health and safety of babies and young children in **each** of the following situations? (16 marks)

A first born baby in a home where there has been a family dog for six years.

A two year old child who regularly plays in a garden sand pit.

- (d) List **four** safety points that should be considered when buying a play pen for a toddler. (8 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Section 2 – Child Development and Play

(Attempt either Question 3 or Question 4 if answering this section.
Each question carries 60 marks)

3. You have been asked to prepare a short talk on child development for your friends at the youth club.

(a) Outline **four** important areas of child development that you would include in your talk. (12 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

(b) What points would you take into consideration when selecting a toy for a 2 year old child? (12 marks)

(c) What skills are developed through **each** of the following play activities? (12 marks)

Assembling a jig-saw _____

Riding a bicycle _____

Dressing-up _____

Playing cards _____

- (d) Describe **one** play item/game/activity that would help to prepare a pre-school child who is going into hospital for an operation. (12 marks)

Description of item/game/activity _____

Give **two** reasons for your choice.

1. _____

2. _____

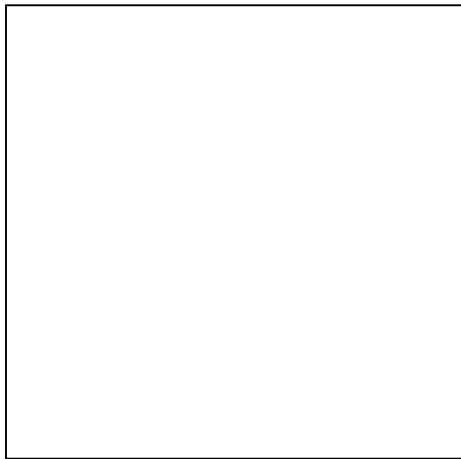
- (e) 'Boys who play with dolls are sissies, girls who climb trees are tom-boys'.

Give your views on this statement. (12 marks)

4. (a) List **three** ways that young babies communicate. (12 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

(b) Sketch and describe a toy that would stimulate the language development of a young child. (8 marks)



Explain why you have selected this toy. (8 marks)

(c) List any **three** signs that might indicate that a child is worried or afraid. (12 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Section 3 – Parenting and Care Provision

(Attempt either Question 5 or Question 6 if answering this section.
Each question carries 60 marks)

5. (a) List the signs and symptoms of pregnancy. (12 marks)

- (b) Explain what you understand by *pre-conceptual care* and *antenatal care*. (12 marks)

Pre-conceptual care

Antenatal care

(c) Why is it important for expectant parents to attend antenatal classes? (12 marks)

Mother _____

Father _____

(d) List some of the financial costs involved in having a baby. (12 marks)

(e) Suggest **four** practical ways that a couple could share the responsibilities of parenting. (12 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

6. (a) Outline the similarities and differences between the role of 'parent' and the role of 'babysitter'. (12 marks)

Similarities _____

Differences _____

- (b) List **four** characteristics of a good babysitter. (12 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

- (c) What specific information should a parent give to a babysitter before going out? (12 marks)

(d) Record the appropriate action that a babysitter should take in **each** of the following situations.

A five year old child refuses to go to bed.

(8 marks)

Two friends of the babysitter make an unexpected visit to the babysitting house.

(8 marks)

A stranger calls to the door.

(8 marks)

Section 4 – People with Special Needs

**(Attempt either Question 7 or Question 8 if answering this section.
Each question carries 60 marks)**

7. (a) Why do you think some people feel awkward when meeting a person with special needs for the first time? (12 marks)

- (b) Why should you never pretend that you understand what a person with special needs is trying to communicate to you? (6 marks)

- (c) Give examples of negative or misguided attitudes that some people have towards individuals with special needs. (12 marks)

Suggest ways of changing these attitudes.

(12 marks)

(d) What do you understand by *visual impairment*?

(6 marks)

Suggest **four** items of equipment or aids that would help to promote the independence of a person with a visual impairment.

(12 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

8. (a) The Special Olympics World Summer Games will be held in Ireland in 2003. List **three** ways that such an event could help to raise public awareness of special needs issues. (9 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

How will this event benefit the participants? (9 marks)

- (b) The physical and emotional demands of caring for a child with special needs can be great but there are also rewards.

List some of the demands and some of the rewards that a family with a child with *downs syndrome* might experience. (12 marks)

Demands _____

Rewards _____

(c) What is meant by *respite care*? (8 marks)

What are the benefits of respite care? (10 marks)

For the family _____

For the person with special needs _____

(d) Write a short informative note on any **two** organisations that work with people with special needs. (12 marks)

Name of organisation _____

Work carried out _____

Name of organisation _____

Work carried out _____

Section 5 – Older People

(Attempt either Question 9 or Question 10 if answering this section.
Each question carries 60 marks)

9.

‘Accidents can happen to anybody but statistics reveal that our older population is particularly prone to accidents’.

(ALONE getting on in the twenty first century)

- (a) Give **four** reasons why older people tend to be more accident-prone. (12 marks)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

- (b) Name **two** emergency services that an older person could call in the event of an accident. (8 marks)

1. _____
2. _____

- (c) List some of the facilities or equipment available to older people in order to improve their safety and security in the home. (16 marks)

(d) How might an older person's quality of life be affected by deafness? (12 marks)

(e) State the benefits of *Neighbourhood Watch* to older people in the community. (12 marks)

10. (a) Explain the term 'retirement'. (12 marks)

(b) List **four** practical ways that a couple could prepare for their retirement. (12 marks)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

(c) In what ways can retired people make a positive contribution to the following (12 marks)

the extended family? _____

the community? _____

(d) Answer *true* **or** *false* to **each** of the following statements by placing a ✓ in the correct box. (12 marks)

		True	False
1.	The life expectancy of the average Irish male is 74 years		
2.	The life expectancy of the average Irish female is 79 years		
3.	The statutory retirement age is 60 years		
4.	By law everyone must make a will before they are 40 years of age		

(e) Give an account of the work of the *Active Retirement Association*. (12 marks)
