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Home Economics: Child Development

Unit 2
The Development of the
Child (0–5 years)



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WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE, AFTERNOON

TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write outside the boxed area on each page or on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **all eight** questions.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is **75**.

Figures in brackets printed down the right-hand side of pages indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in questions **7** and **8**.

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1 (a) Read the following and tick the box beside each correct answer.

Tick [✓] only **one** box for each.

Night blindness is caused by a deficiency of:

- A Vitamin B
- B Vitamin D
- C Vitamin C
- D Vitamin A

[1]

(b) The health professional who visits the baby 10 days after birth is called:

- A GP
- B Paediatrician
- C Health visitor
- D Gynaecologist

[1]

(c) A child suffering from coeliac disease should avoid food rich in:

- A Lactose
- B Gluten
- C Additives
- D Sugar

[1]



(d) Swelling of the glands around the jaw and neck is a common symptom of:

A Chicken pox

B Measles

C Mumps

D Meningitis

[1]

(e) Playing alone can be defined as:

A Solitary play

B Joining-in play

C Parallel play

D Co-operative play



[1]



2 (a) Write down **three** gross motor skills.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____ [3]

(b) Identify the types of play.

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(c) Accidents happen in the garden.

Write down **two** types of accidents and explain how each could be prevented.

| Type of accident | Prevention |
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3 (a) Write down **two** ways to relieve the discomfort of teething.

1. _____

2. _____ [2]

(b) Lucy is two years old and is refusing to eat at mealtimes.

Discuss how Lucy's parents and carers could encourage her to eat.

1. _____

2. _____

_____ [4]



(c) The following foods are often given to children as snacks.

Discuss the nutritional benefits of each.

Strawberries



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Multigrain hoops cereal



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[3]

Cheese



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[3]



4 (a) Discuss **three** ways parents and carers can prevent obesity in children.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

_____ [6]

(b) Describe how a GP supports a mother and child.

_____ [2]





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5 (a) Four year old Amy is making a birthday card.

Discuss **two** ways this activity will promote her fine motor skills.

1. _____

2. _____

_____ [4]

(b) Discuss **two** ways parents and carers can create a comfortable environment when caring for Amy when she is sick.

1. _____

2. _____

_____ [4]



(c) Discuss **two** advantages of a relative as a childminding option for Amy.

1. _____

2. _____

_____ [4]





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