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**FACULTY OF EDUCATION**  
**2025\_1 EXAMINATION...**

**Programme:** Early Childhood Education

**Course Code:** ECE313

**Course Title:** Theories and Practice of Early Childhood Education

**Credit Unit:** 2 Units

**Time Allowed:** 2 Hours

**Instruction: Answer Question (1: COMPULSORY) and any other two questions = (FIVE QUESTIONS TO ANSWER THREE)**

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**QUESTIONS**

1a. Briefly describe five (5) socio-emotional development of the child at toddlerhood stage. (10 marks)

1b. Explain with examples the meaning of mental retardation. (10 marks)

1c. List five (5) causes of speech impairment. (10 marks)

**QUESTION 2:**

a. Identify five (5) examples of childhood behaviour difficulties. (5 marks)

b. What is visual impairment? List five causes of visual impairment. (15 marks)

**QUESTION 3:**

3a. Define hearing impairment and the range. (10 mark)

b. Identify five (5) Signs or symptoms of hearing impairment. (10 marks)

**QUESTION 4:**

4a. Describe two types of speech impairment. (10 marks)

4b. Describe five (5) important children's behaviours that mark language development at the preschool stage. (10 marks)

**QUESTION 5:**

5 a. Explain the meaning of childhood and the phases. (10 marks)

5 b. State five reasons why early childhood education is important? (10 marks)  
(20 marks in all)