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M.A.DEGREE 2011/2012 HARMATTAN SEMESTER EXAMINATION
EFC 651-INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION
INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER ANY FOUR QUESTIONS; TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

- 1(a). Distinguish between the theories of idealism and realism as two categories epistemology
(b). Discuss exhaustively their pedagogical implications.

2. Discuss briefly the educational implications of the "Complete Act of Thought" theory of John Dewey.

- 3(a). List the three classes of citizens in Plato's philosophy of education
(b). How do these classes of citizens relate to the Nigerian educational system?

- 4(a). State clearly and explain R. S. Peter's criteria for the process of education.
(b). Does Peter's have a point of view to be reckoned with in the Nigerian educational system?

- 5(a). Describe each of these speculative philosophies:
 - (i) Metaphysics
 - (ii) Axiology
 - (ii) Epistemology
 - (iv) Logic(b) How is each of them related to educational studies?

6. Explain Dewey's pragmatic philosophy of education based on his claim that if living is broadly conceived as problem solving, then education involves learning the methodology of how to solve problems.

