



**DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY  
UNIT PSY 650X**

**END SEMESTER PSYCHOPATHOLOGY EXAMINATION  
(PSY 650X)**

**JANUARY 2012.**

**TIME; 2 hours**

**STUDENT NUMBER..... DATE.....**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Answer question ONE and any other 2 questions.**
- 2. Write your college number only.**
- 3. Write in the papers provided**

1. As a counseling psychologist, you were requested to give a talk to a group of basic degree 3<sup>rd</sup> year students in counseling psychology on **general indicators of mental health disorders.** Discuss detailed information you will include in this lecture.  
(20 marks).
2. Describe **any 2** of the following childhood disorders (10 marks).
  - i) Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD)
  - ii) Separation Anxiety Disorder
  - iii) Autistic Developmental Disorder
  - iv) Childhood Sleep Disorders
  - v) Conduct Disorder

3. Discuss schizophrenic disorder (10 marks).
4. John, a 30 year old secondary school teacher was sent to you by the head teacher to undergo counseling because of constant lateness to work and often going to work smelling of alcohol. His work was deteriorating steadily and he was not willing to tell the head teacher the issues in his life which were affecting him. This behavior started 4 months ago and they were getting worse.

On your assessment, John's grooming was poor; he had abnormally low tone of voice and seemed absent minded. He told you that;

- His wife of 3 years had died 5 months ago in an accident leaving him with a 1 year old baby.
- He had a lot of dept which he was finding difficult to pay.
- he was not eating well and he could not sleep until he had taken some alcohol.
- He had lost interest in most of the things he used to like
- He felt uncomfortable staying with other people and he was always moody

**All these symptoms had become too intense in the last two weeks.**

According to John's case above, make a DSM IV multi axial diagnosis on (10 marks).

5. Discuss the psycho social **precipitations** of mental disorders among adults (10 marks)

God bless you.

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