

UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION

Three Year Course

PHILOSOPHY AND PSYCHOLOGY OF EDUCATION

PAPER II

(Kesteven Training College)

Wednesday 27th March --- 9.30 to 12.30

Answer **four** questions

1. Either

- a) Critically examine any two of the following philosophies of education and describe their application in a chosen learning and teaching situation:

Naturalisation

Idealism

Realism

Pragmatism

Humanism

or

- b) "Idealism has much to contribute to the aims and objectives of education, but little to its methods."

Comment on this assertion.

2. Discuss the claim that educational practice is merely the application of educational theory, and the counter claim that educational ideas are the rationalisation of present and past practice.
3. Explain the origins of the apparent contradiction between culture and utility as educational aims, and consider the possibilities of an effective synthesis.

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