

National University of Ireland, Galway

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HIGHER DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION EXAMINATION

PAPER THREE B *ED881*
PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION

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Time allowed: One and a half hours
Answer **two** questions.

- Q. 1. "Plato and Aristotle were the most influential of all philosophers". (Russell).
Critically discuss the contribution made to education by either Plato or Aristotle.
- Q. 2. Critically examine one of the following:
(a) "Child-Centred" education.
or
(b) The influence of the Philosophy of Pragmatism on education.
- Q. 3. (a) What is the role of philosophy of education? Refer in your answer to metaphysics, epistemology and axiology.
or
(b) "My own criterion of success is the ability to work joyfully and to live positively". (Neill). Critically examine A.S. Neill's views on education in the context of this statement.