

**National Institute of Open Schooling**  
**Senior Secondary Course: Early Childhood Care and Education**  
**Lesson 5 - Issues and Directions in ECCE**  
**Worksheet-5**

1. Recently, an all India educational survey conducted by the NCERT and NUEPA reveals that the quality of ECCE is at risk especially the education component for the age group of three to six years. Observe ECCE Programme in your area and write threats to the quality of ECCE in the context of your own region.
2. **Continue to Q1.** These threats need to be attended and rectified at individual, institutional and government levels. Discuss with your friends and suggest some ways to resolve threats to the quality of ECCE in the context of your own region.
3. 'Teachers' are the foundation of any educational programme. Hence it's requisite to maintain the quality of teacher in the country. Discuss the different areas in which attention should be paid to maintain the quality of teacher.
4. Spot ECCE Programme in your area and write a report on factors which influence the 'Teaching Learning Process' with reference to present scenario.
5. **Continue to Q4.** Suppose you are a head of ECCE centre. Suggest some ways that how will you create conducive learning environment at ECCE centre.
6. Administrative/management issues are critical to the development and sustainability of an ECCE centre. Visit an ECCE centre and write a report on your observation regarding Administrative/management issues at that centre.
7. What do you understand by the term 'Gender Equality'? Collect data from different sources and write a report on what are the challenges in achieving gender equality? Suggest some strategies for addressing these challenges.
8. What do you understand by the term 'Inclusion' in education? How can inclusive practices be incorporated in early childhood settings?
9. Discuss briefly the role of the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) in ECCE.
10. **Continue to Q9.** Suppose you are a member of curriculum committee for developing the curriculum for ECCE. Suggest some points which you want to incorporate in the curriculum.