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QUESTION 1: ATTEMPT AN INCISIVE INTERROGATION OF SOLOMON A. EDEBOR'S GOOD MORNING, SODOM, UNDERSCORING AT LEAST FIVE UNDERLYING THEMATIC THRUSTS THE DRAMA ENGAGES.

1. RAPE (SIXTH MOVEMENT PAGE 28-37):

- Demola drugs Keziah with a handkerchief, who comes to his room off campus to do an assignment, under the pretense of cleaning a dirt from her face. Keziah wakes up to Demola sleeping beside her and realizes that he took her chastity without her consent. Which made her pregnant and made her attempt suicide.
- Stella, fourteen at the time, was raped by her former pastor's two son, Daniel and Tosin, and two of their friend when she accompanied her father to their house. She blamed God and dabbled into all forms of immorality. But she later gave her life to Christ after she had a revelation from God and because of her friend, Emmanuella.

2. PEER PRESSURE (FIFTH MOVEMENT PAGE 26&27, SEVENTH MOVEMENT PAGE 38&39):

- Demola was a victim of peer pressure. He was a man who was good looking, intelligent and serious minded. His friends, Kk and Bentol, led him astray. His friends gave him advise to rape Keziah and also introduced him to drugs and cultism. He ended up losing his life at a young age and also brought shame and embarrassment to his image and family name.
- Keziah was also a victim of peer pressure. She was a girl of high moral standard and someone who was focused on her academics. It was clear she wanted nothing to do with Demola but because of the influence of her friends she gave in to Demola request and ended up getting raped.

3. CULTISM (EIGHTH MOVEMENT PAGE 40&41, NINTH MOVEMENT PAGE 42, TENTH MOVEMENT PAGE 43):

Demola was introduced into cultism by his two friends, Kk and Bentol. He went through initiation which was drinking from a calabash stained with blood " Drink! Drink the water of covenant forever binding your spirit, soul and body to this noble sect". Although his friends have been in the cult for a while he, Demola, was the one who died in a gun fight with another cult named *The Sparrows* over the death of two his cult, *Red Shadows*, members. From here we can see that his friends that introduced him were not the ones

that died. We should know the kind of advice or ideas that we should participate in.

4. SUICIDE (EIGHTEENTH MOVEMENT PAGE 65&66):

Keziah, who was a victim of rape, found out that she was pregnant and her father was angry at her and treated her badly. She thought that she was a disappointment and embarrassment to her parents because of she got pregnant and she thought by committing suicide her father will finally forgive. Her father found on time because he needed to pick up a file he left a home. She and her baby did not die because her father found her. Most people, nowadays, think that suicide is the next thing to attempt when something goes wrong which is not supposed to be so. They are supposed to talk to people first either people close to them or professionals before even thinking of committing suicide.

5. PARENTAL CARE AND MONITORING (SIXTEENTH MOVEMENT PAGE 55-57, NINETEENTH MOVEMENT PAGE 69-71):

- After Keziah's pregnancy was found out by her parents, they were disappointed. Even though Keziah's mom was disappointed she didn't get angry at her or treat her badly rather she accepted her and supported her. Her dad on the other treated her badly which led her to think committing suicide was the best option. If not for God's grace, she could have lost her life and that of the baby because of the way her father treated her.
- Demola's parent were not observant of their son's lifestyle rather they were concerned about their financial status. They neglected their son which made him seek advice from his friend who gave him bad advice. This eventually led to his death. Demola lost his life because of the negligence of his parents.

QUESTION 2: ATTEMPT DETAILED CHARACTER ANALYSIS OF ANY THREE CHARACTERS IN SOLOMON A. EDEBOR'S GOOD MORNING SODOM.

1. KEZIAH RICHARD: She is one of the main characters in the play. She is a 200 level student of May Flower University studying English. She is a young lady who is medium in height, slightly rotund and fair

in complexion. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard. She starts out as a disciplined and focused student, but falls victim of negative peer pressure. Ovie and Bunmi, Keziah's course mates, made Keziah give in to Demola's request. Keziah later got raped by Demola and the process got pregnant. She could no longer continue with her education because of that. Her parents were disappointed in her especially her father. He was very angry at her and treated her badly. She attempted to commit suicide because of this but was saved by her father before dying. She survived and had a safe delivery of a baby girl, Mouritha. Her parents later accepted and apologized to her. She was able to continue her education as a 200 level transfer student of the university of Ibadan after the safe delivery of her child.

2. DEMOLA DIRAN: He is one of the main characters in the play He is a 200 level student of May Flower University studying English. He is a tall, dark handsome young man. He is also intelligent. He was interested in a girl in the university called Keziah. His intentions towards Keziah was pure but in the long run he got negatively influenced by his friends which led him to rape Keziah. He regretted his actions towards Keziah and apologized but the deed has been done already. He was introduced into drugs and initiated into cultism because of the negative influence of his friends. The name of the cult he was initiated into was called *Red shadows*. He was later expelled and even loss his life when his cult got involved in a gun fight with another cult called *The Sparrows* after the death of two their members. This happened to Demola because of he lacked adequate parental care and monitoring. His parents were more concerned with their financial status and providing comfort for him than his lifestyle. What happened to Demola is as a result of parental negligence in the upbringing of their child.
3. STELLA: She is an undergraduate of May Flower University. She is Keziah's roommate. She was a victim of rape at a young age of 14. She was raped by four young boys. Two of the boys who raped her where her pastor's son, Daniel and Tosin. The other two boys who raped her were their friends. They overpowered and raped her in turns. The four boys were later arrested but got released because of

the persuasion and appeals of their parents and the influential elders in the church. After she was forcefully deflowered, she dabbled in all forms of immorality and blamed God for what happened to her. She later gave her life to Christ after a revelation from God and because of her friend, Emmanuella. She is a good friend of Keziah and she encouraged and supported Keziah after she was raped.

QUESTION 3: WHAT ARE THE POINTS OF DIVERGENCE BETWEEN THE PUBLISHED AND THE FILM VERSION OF GOOD MORNING, SODOM?

- In the book version of GOOD MORNING SODOM, Stella's clothes were burnt by 4 people but in the movie version 2 people burnt her cloths.
- In the book version, Emmanuella entered Stella's hostel to speak to her about God but in the movie, Stella was packing her cloths when Emmanuella walked up to her to speak about God.
- In the book version, Stella told Keziah the story of how she was raped and her life after she was raped while they were in the hostel but in the movie she told her the story while they were walking.
- In the book version, during the cult initiation three people where blindfolded to be initiated while six people were standing and they were already Red Shadows cult members but in the movie two people were blindfolded to be initiated while 7 people were standing and they were already Red Shadows cult members.
- In the book version, Demola was being initiated into the cult but in the movie he was already a member of the cult, Red Shadows.
- The ninth movement from the book was not shown in the movie.
- In the book version, three cultists were apprehended by the police while in the movie version four cultists were apprehended by the police.
- In the book version, the DPO was a woman while in the movie the DPO was a man.
- In the book Mrs. Diran and her husband went to Agodi prison to meet Kk but in the movie only her husband, Engineer Diran, went because according to the movie she had died.
- According to the book, Keziah's daughter was named Mouritha but according to the movie she was named Heritage Demola-Diran.