AFE 122 ASSIGNMENT ON GOOD MORNING SODOM

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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.**

Answer

* 1. **PEER PRESSURE**

Peer pressure is when you are influenced by other people (your peers) to act in a certain way or do things you don’t want to do.

From the book Good Morning, Sodom there are several acts of Peer Pressure stated.

My evidence to prove my statement

let’s first talk about our first act of peer pressure stated in the book

1. Keziah and her friends Ovie and Bunmi: Keziah was a girl who followed all the rules her parents set for her and was determined to do well in her studies but there was a boy named Demola that kept on pushing her to go out with him but she always rejected his advances, one day her friends Ovie and Bunmi pressured her into going out with Demola even though she didn’t want to, this is an example of peer pressure.

The Second act written in the book was

1. Demola and his friend K.K: Demola was a good boy who was also good at his studies and had a crush on a girl name Keziah but he had a friend named K.K who was part of a cult group that pressured him into drugging his crush and the rapeing her, another example of peer pressure
2. **RAPE**

Rape is a type of serial assault involving sexual intercourse or other forms of sexual penetration carried out against a person without there consent.

From the book Good Morning Sodom there are several examples of rape

My evidence to prove my statement

Lets look at the first act of rape written in the book.

* 1. Keziah and demola: From the first theme we know that Keziah was pressured by her friends to go out with Demola which resulted In Keziah going to Demolas house and eventually getting herself drugged then raped which led to her getting pregnant.

The Second act written in the book was

* 1. Stella and the pastors sons: Stella was accompanying her father to there pastors house but unfortunately an accident arouse and her father and the pastor had to leave so she was left with the pastors sons in the house unfortunately for her the sons deceived her in entering a room them and then rapeing her.

1. **CULTISM**

A cult is a relatively small group which is typically led by a charismatic and self-appointed leader, who excessively controls its members, requiring unwavering devotion to a set of beliefs and practices which are considered deviant.

The book talks about cultism and it adverse effects.

Normally people join cults due to peer pressure and that was the case of Demola, Demola did not really have anyone to instruct him on how to behave in school because his parents did not really pay attention to his school life or him so his friend K.K took that opportunity to pressure him into joining a cult claiming it will help him in life but it didn’t, it only resulted to his death.

1. **LACK OF ADEQUATE PARENTING CARE AND MONITORING**

From the third theme whe can get a general basis on what lack of adequate parenting care and monitoring means we all know that if Demola had gotten the attention he needed from his parents he wouldn’t have been in a situation where by his guidian who was guiding him in school on how to act and behave was his friend who was mislead him towards the wrong path and eventually killing him, his parents later understood the consequences of there action but it was already to late.

1. **STIGMATISATION**

Stigmatisation is the act of treating someone or something unfairly by publicly disapproving of them

We all know from the Second theme that Keziah was raped then impregnated but the story did not end there, when Keziah parents found out about her pregnancy her father could not look at her the same again, he judged for getting pregnant, he couldn’t even look at his daughter in the eye because he felt so disgraced being in her presence, he treated her poorly and completely disowned her as his daughter not until she tried to commit suicide that he realised the consequences of his actions, we should all be careful on how we treat people because there are always consequences to our actions.

1. **DRUG ABUSE**

This refers to the use of drugs without the prescription of a doctor, which later becomes addicting.

From the book, drug abuse seemed to be a common thing to Demolas friend K.K, K.K was so used to the intake of drugs that he influenced Demola into taking it and of course it didn’t end well, Due to the influence of the drugs Demola join K.K’s cult and was later killed by that same cult.

**2. Attempt detailed character analyses of any three characters in Solomon A. Edebor’s Good Morning Sodom.**

CHARACTER ANALYSES

* + 1. **Keziah**: Keziah is a well mannered girl that is very diligent and good at her studies, she respects her parents and loves them very dearly, she doesn’t get involved in bad things because she respects the rules her parents gave her but unfortunately she was pressured into going out with a boy whom eventually drugged, raped and then impregnating her, which caused her parents to not trust her and stigmatise her, she tried to commit suicide but failed, later her parents forgave her and she delivered a bouncing baby girl and was given the opportunity to go to school again.
    2. **Demola:** Demola was a good boy who was very good at his studies and had a crush on a girl named Keziah whom he loved very dearly but he was pressured into luring her to his house, drugging her and then rapeing her which eventually led to her pregnancy, he was humiliated and casted aside by her, due to that he was meet by a friend and given drugs which led him to join a cult and eventually getting killed.
    3. **Stella:** Stella is Keziahs friend who is a very good influence on her, she is a good well mannered girl and is always encouraging her friend to be the best she can be, she helped Keziah accept her pregnancy by telling her about the story of how she got raped by her pastors sons and then completely forgetting about God eventually leading to her sleeping with plenty of men but God didn’t forget her and showed her that he was always with her which led to her going back to the righteous path.

**3. Points of divergence between the published and the film version of Good Morning, Sodom?**

1. In the third movement, the film showed that there was a scene where Dr Yusuf was interrupted by some students who were late to his lecture, while in the book he only cleared his throat and continued his lecture.

2. In the third movement, the film showed that Demola did not say hello to Ovie and Bunmi but in the book he did.

3. In the sixth movement, the film shows Stella packing her clothes from the line when Emmanuella appeared but in the book she wakes up from a bad dream.

4. In the eight movement, in the book k.k was the one that brought the calabash for the new members to drink from but in the film it was not k.k.

5. In the sixth movement, the book states that Stella stretched out to console Keziah on the bed but in the film there was no such thing.

6. In the eight movement, It shows in the film that there were 2 new cult members in the group but in book there were three also it said in the book that demola was part of the new members but in the film he was not.

7. In the twelfth movement, the book states that Keziah’s parents came to pick her up from the hospital but in the film it was only her mother and the driver.

8. In the sixth movement, the film shows that there was only one man carrying the cloths but in the book it states that there were four.

9. In the thirteenth movement, it is stated in the book that the DPO is a woman but in the film the DPO is a man.

10. In the eighteenth movement, it was stated in the book that Mrs Richards asked the doctor if Keziah could go home but in the film it is not mentioned at all.