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# QUESTIONS:

1. UNDERLINE AT LEAST FIVE THEMATIC THRUSTS IN THE BOOK GOOD MORNING SODOM
2. ATTEMPT DETAILED CHARACTER ANALYSES OF ANY THREE CHARACTERS IN THE GOOD MORNING SODOM

# ANSWERS:

1A**. Theme of teenage pregnancy:** This is shown in the fourteenth movement of the play when Keziah realized that she has been nine weeks pregnant all along.

1B. **Theme of bad parenting:** This was explained in the nineteenth movement of the play when Engineer and Mrs Diran realized that not being in their son’s (Demola) life actively allowed him to succumb to negative peer pressure from his friends which lead to a tragic end of their son’s life.

1C. **Theme of Betrayal:** This was explained in the sixth movement of the play. When Stella was raped by the pastor’s sons (family friend) and also when Demola drugged Keziah (a good friend of his).

1D**. Theme of cultism:** This is shown in the eighth movement of the play when they introduced the first cult group of the play called the Red Shadows explaining that they are already in a cult war with another cult group called the Sparrow.

1E. **Theme of peer pressure;** This was explained in the nineteenth and twenty first movement of the play when KK (Nkanga Nwoko) confessed that all the bad stuff that happened in Demola’s life (from him doing drugs, joining a cult group, lying to his parents and eventually his death). While in the twenty first movement they showed how kk and Bentol pressured Demola to drug a girl he loves.

2A. **Stella:** This is Keziah’s favorite roommate and a trusted friend of hers. She had lost her faith in God because of a tragic incident (rape) that happened to her seven years ago by her pastor’s sons (family friend). Two years later after the event she

later got back her faith in God because of two dreams that occurred to her during that year. The second dream happened to her after two months of the first dream. She is also a student in May Flower University.

2B. **Demola:** This is a boy who was in love with Keziah but eventually fell in with the wrong crowd. His parents didn’t perform their duty, to see to the wellbeing of their child, not only financially but also phychologically. They never bothered to check on him. He was negatively peer pressured which led him to drug and rape the girl he loved which destroyed the trust she had for him. His friend KK also known as Nkanga Nwoko pressured him to drug her and also join a cult group called the Red Shadows which led to the death of him in the middle of a cult shootout.

2C. **Keziah:** She is a medium height, slightly rotund, fair young lady. She is a very studious, hardworking student of Mayflower University. She eventually got betrayed by one of her male friends ‘Demola’ which got her pregnant. She had to stop school because of the pregnancy. Her father didn’t show her any affection because of the pregnancy which she and her mum decided to keep. This led to her attempted suicide but luckily, she and her child survived because her dad needed a document from home and saw her body on the ground and immediately took her to the hospital. Through this, her father saw the errors of his ways and became affectionate to his daughter. She eventually gave birth to a daughter called Mouritha. After the pregnancy she eventually started her studies in 200level in Ibadan State University

. 3. **What are the points of divergence between the published and the film version of GOOD MORNING, SODOM?**

i) In the published version (the book), Demola was part of the new inculcated members into the cult but in the film version, Demola was already a (an established) member of the cult.

ii) In the film version, the DPO appeared to be a female but was the opposite gender (male) in the book.

iii) In the book, there was a movement where Dr. and Mrs. Richards were discussing about how to best how the situation surrounding Keziah. Keziah was seen helping her mom out in the kitchen before her dad arrived home but in the film version it wasn’t played out as so.

iv) The scene of Mrs. Richards consoling Keziah isn’t in the book as it is in the movie.

v) In the film version, Demola’s mom is dead while in the published version, she is very well alive.

vi) Keziah’s daughter’s name was Mouritha in the book but Heritage Demola-Diran in the film version.