AFE 122 ASSIGNMENT.

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1. Attempt an incisive interrogation of Solomon A. Edebor’s Good Morning, Sodom, underscoring at least five underlying thematic thrusts the drama engages.
2. **Negative Peer Influence**: In the drama, Nkanga Nwoko (aka K.K), was a major source of negative peer influence towards his best friend Demola Diran. Demola, who had a weak moral background was easily pressured into engaging in criminal vices such as cultism, use of hard drugs and even to the point of raping a female student.
3. **Lack of Adequate Parental Care and Monitoring**: Engineer and Mrs Diran failed as parents towards their son Demola Diran by failing to provide him with adequate parental care and monitoring. Their parental negligence and inattentiveness towards their son while he was in the higher institution led to him being easily swayed by the words of cultist boys in school. Engineer and Mrs Diran provided for their son financially and materially but failed to bring him up morally, physically and psychologically which later led to his tragic death.
4. **Cultism and Its Consequences**: Demola, his friend Nkanga Nwoko (aka K.K) as well as other members of the cult group were punished severely for being found guilty of belonging to an unlawful society and possession of firearms. They were sentenced to two years imprisonment, instructed to pay a fine of 100,000 naira and were also expelled from school.
5. **Taking of Hard Drugs**: Demola and his friend Nkanga Nwoko both formed a habit of using hard and illegal drugs whenever they wanted to escape from the feeling of sorrow and guilt. These hard drugs that they inhaled had effects on their mental and physical behaviours. The drugs made them feel high and affected their mental reasoning making them to misbehave.
6. **Rape and Trauma**: Keziah and her friend Stella suffered trauma after being victims of rape. Stella at the young age of 14 was brutally raped by four boys when she was left in the house of her father’s friend. Stella felt wasted and even went into prostitution for 5years. Keziah on the other hand was charmed and raped by a fellow course mate which resulted in an unwanted pregnancy. The trauma she suffered made her feel worthless which led her to attempting suicide.
7. Attempt detailed character analyses of any three characters in Solomon A. Edebor’s Good Morning, Sodom.
8. **Dr Richard**: Dr Richard in the book Good Morning, Sodom was the father to the protagonist; Keziah Richard. Dr Richard was a very hardworking man who tried his very best to provide for his daughter and family financially. He also made it his priority to bring up his daughter morally, physically and psychologically. Dr Richard was a strict man who wanted the very best for his daughter which was why he was very disappointed and hurt when he found out about his daughter’s pregnancy. Dr Richard can also be considered to be an unforgiving father considering the fact that he refused to forgive his daughter until after she was on the verge of death.
9. **Nkanga Nwoko (aka K.K)**: Nkanga Nwoko was Demola’s friend as he claimed in the book but it seemed like the opposite. K.K was the devil’s incarnate in the life of Demola. He was the one who introduced Demola into taking hard drugs, joining his cult group and even persuaded him into raping a fellow female student by telling him that, that was the best way to get her. K.K was also the one who sent Demola to his early grave although he claimed that it was unintentional. K.K was an inconsiderate son to his widowed mother because he went on committing notorious crimes without even considering the struggle and pain his mother was passing through just to send him to school hoping that one day she would reap the fruit of her labour. K.K was a disappointment.
10. **Engineer Diran**: Engineer Diran was the materialistic father of Demola Diran. He only believed that he needed to spoil his son by providing for him financially but failed as a parent to bring up his son morally by teaching values and the difference between good and bad. Engineer Diran although a successful man in his business was an unsuccessful man in family business. He showed no form of parental care towards his son while he was in university and never cared to pay him a visit and check up on him. It was indeed painful to see that he was the major cause of his son’s doom and didn’t realise that he had failed until it was too late.
11. What are the points of divergence between the published and the film version of Good Morning, Sodom?

The points of divergence are;

1. In the film, there was no mention of Nkanga Nwoko’s mother unlike in the published version (movement seventeen) where the defence cousel used her widowed condition to beg on the behalf of K.K to the judge.
2. Demola’s mum was late in the film version while she was alive and well in the published version.
3. In the published version (movement thirteen), K.K and two other members of the cult group (making a total of three members) were said to be brought to the D.P.O’s office while in the film version, it was K.K and three others with him (making a total of four members).
4. In the film version, Keziah’s daughter was named Heritage while in the published version, Keziah’s daughter was named Mouritha.
5. The scene where Keziah goes into labour in her room and her mum comes to help her wasn’t included in the published version but was included in the film version.