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Assignment: underscore at least 5 themes in the drama Good morning Sodom and analyze three characters.

ASSIGNMENT

1) Five thematic thrusts in the drama Good morning Sodom

In the play “Good morning Sodom” by Solomon Edebor, there are different themes in the play which are known as the central idea or main idea of the play. There are a lot of themes like peer pressure, betrayal, cultism, suicide, and Lack of parental care etc. all these themes were surrounded among the characters in this play.

The theme peer pressure is a prominent theme in the play “Good morning Sodom”, this theme of peer pressure led to a lot of things that later happened in the play. This theme is surrounded around a major character named Demola .As seen in the play he was pressurized by his peers to do bad things ,go against his parents etc. They made him lie to his parents about his hostel being full so he can leave the hostel for the town, they made him go into drugs, they made him rape an innocent girl who he really liked but she refused to date him, so his friends told him to drug her and rape her so she can date him but this act later resulted into her getting pregnant, and he was also pressurized to join cult in school which later led to his death at the end of the day. Demola was a victim of peer pressure and with all what he did it caused a lot of bad things in the play .

Another important theme in the play is betrayal. In this play the theme betrayal was surrounded around Demola towards Keziah. From the beginning of the play Demola was known to always follow Keziah around cause he likes her, he wanted to be with her but she did not like him back because she was too focused on her studies, so at some point they started becoming friends and Demola used the fact that she was focused on her studies into luring her into his house so he could teach her on her English assignment, when she came for the assignment ,he offered her a drink and drugged her so he could rape her thinking after raping

her she would like him. Demola raping her shows betrayal because she trusted him enough to come to his house for the assignment because she thought he wouldn't do anything but he betrayed her trust.

Cultism is another prominent theme in the play. As we all know cultism is an act of belonging to a secret cult group and some students in the school were part of this cult group. The characters that the theme cultism was surrounded about are Demola, Bentol, and Nkanga Nwoko(kk), these were the main students that were part of the cult group and also some other students. This students did a lot of bad things like taking drugs, killing people, fighting etc. Their being part of this cult group led to their expulsion from school even the ones in their final year, the death of Demola and some other students, Bentol and KK going to jail and also which made kk mom collapse. This theme cultism shows that it is not good to be part of a bad cult group because it eventually leads to bad things happening.

Another prominent theme in the play "Good morning Sodom" is suicide. This theme was surrounded around the main character keziah, after she got pregnant her dad started treating her badly, he made her feel very bad, she felt like she brought shame to her family, she couldn't even go to school and failed to live up to her parents expectation so she became depressed and almost committed suicide, where she was almost dying her dad came and rushed her to the hospital where she was revived so she wouldn't die.

The last theme is lack of parental care which is very prominent in the play because it affected Demola's life. The theme lack of parental care is surrounded around Demola's parent Engineer and Mrs Diran. Demola's parent are rich so they provided him with everything he wanted but never gave him the most important thing which is adequate parental care because they never really knew what was going on in demola's life. Because of this inadequate parental care he became friends with bad people and they introduced him to drugs, he joined a cult group and he even lied to his parents so he could get a home outside and instead of them to confirm they just gave him the money and at the end of the day he died. At the end of the play it seen that demola's mom was shouting that they were the ones that killed him because they knew they weren't there for him.

- 2) Attempt detailed character analyses of any three characters in Good morning Sodom by Solomon Edebor

Demola :

In the play "Good morning Sodom" by Solomon Edebor the character Demola is a 200 level student in Mayflower university, he is a main character in the play, he is intelligent, he really liked keziah, he is relentless, he is a victim of peer pressure, he is a cultist, he was killed, he is a betrayal.

He really liked keziah. In the play it is shown that demola really liked keziah because at the beginning of the play it is shown that Demola was following her around always trying to get her attention, and he also really cares about her especially during the time she went home for a week, he was really worried he always asked her friends about her and all these shows he really liked her and cares for her .

He is relentless. Demola is known to be a relentless character and this is shown in how he always tries to get keziah's attention and love, even though keziah did not like him he still tried his best until they became friends, he even went to the height of raping her so she can finally like him. This shows how he never gave up on getting keziah.

He is a victim of peer pressure. The character demola is a major victim of peer pressure. Demola is known to be a good boy from home and from a good background but when he went to school he made bad friends who made him to do bad things like going into drugs, joining a cult group, they also pressured him into raping keziah even though he never really wanted to do it. They made him lie to his parents so he can live outside school and the Demola that was known to be a good boy later became a bad person because of the friends he kept.

He is a cult member. Due to Demola being friends with KK and Bentol they pressured him into joining their cult group and he did and he was initiated into being a cult member. Him joining this cult group made him started following them to kill people and go on bad missions, he started taking drugs and after everything Demola was killed.

He is a betrayer. In the play "Good morning Sodom" Demola is known to be betrayer because of what he did to Keziah. After trying his best to gain Keziah's trust and be friends with her he later betrayed her. He told Keziah that he will help her with her assignment because she didn't understand it, because of this he lured her into his house and she only followed him because she had a little trust in him and he betrayed that trust by drugging her and raping her knowing her virginity is what was really important to her. And by doing these he ruined her life.

Keziah:

The character Keziah in the play is known to be a 200 level student in Mayflower University, she is trained well, she is focused, she wanted to commit suicide, she got pregnant, she got betrayed,

She is trained well. As shown in the play Keziah is known to be from a good family background, which is shown from the way she acts and do things. She has parents who really cared for her and loved her which made her a good girl.

She is focused. In the play "Good morning Sodom", Keziah is known to be very focused, she knew why she was in school and never wanted any distractions. This attitude is shown in the play as she continuously ignored Demola because she knew he will be nothing but a distraction to her and she didn't want that, which is why she always ignored Demola so she can focus and make her parents proud of her.

She got betrayed. In the play, Keziah got betrayed by Demola and lost something that was really precious to her. After all the pestering by Demola for them to be friends, they later became friends and after a while and she began to trust him. She even trusted him enough for her to follow him to his house for the assignment instead of using the library. Demola used that opportunity to drug her and rape her and by doing this he betrayed her because her virginity is something that was very precious to her.

She got pregnant. After what Demola did to her she became pregnant. This pregnancy caused her a lot, it caused her to drop out of school, her parents were really disappointed of what happened, it caused her dad not to love her as before anymore, her parents were ashamed of her.

She committed suicide. After she got pregnant, her Dad didn't love her as much anymore, he started treating her badly, she felt really bad she felt like she brought shame upon her family then she became depressed and decided to commit suicide. But luckily for her, her dad came in time to take her to the hospital.

Nkanga Nwoko(KK):

The character Nkanga Nwoko who is nicknamed as KK is also a student of Mayflower university and he is Demola's friend, he is the one who influenced Demola, he is also a cultist, he later went to jail.

He is Demola's friend. In the play it is stated that Demola and KK are very good friends which is why Demola was easily influenced by him. And it is shown that he really cared for Demola in the play, because when he killed Demola he felt bad and he had to call his parents to tell them everything he made Demola do and gave them the picture Demola asked him to give them before he died.

He influenced Demola. In the play it is shown that KK was the one who influenced Demola to do all those bad things he did and he ruined Demola's life. KK was the one who told Demola to lie to his parents about the hostel being full so he can live outside campus, he introduced him into doing drugs in school, he made Demola to join their cult group, he advised Demola to drug Keziah and rape her. He basically ruined Demola's life because of what he did to him.

He killed Demola. KK and the other members of red shadows including Demola went on a mission at night and during this mission KK accidentally killed Demola and he regretted it.

He was a cult member and went to jail. KK was one of the members of the cult Demola was in. So after the death of Demola and the mission they went on, the police found them and they were all arrested and they took them to court and after prosecution they gave him life imprisonment.

3) What are the points of divergence between the published and the film version of Good morning , Sodom?

The play Good morning Sodom by Solomon Edebor has two versions which are the published(written) version and the filmed version and there were differences stated out between these two versions which are:

The first point is, in the film version of the play the lecturer was interrupted by two students while in the published version the lecturer wasn't interrupted by any student. The second point is in the film version Demola and Keziah's friends were still seated when he asked about Keziah's where about but in the published version they were all about to leave when Demola asked one of the friends which is Ovie.

Another point is when Demola was trying to talk to Keziah on her way to the library, in the published version of the play it was stated they had a conversation on their way to the library but in the movie they had their conversation in the library, another one is in the book, during Stella's flashback, it was stated that her floor mate Emmanuella came to talk to her in the room but in the movie it was stated that Emmanuella came to talk to her while she was spreading cloth.

During the cult meeting in the published version, it was stated that three people were being initiated that night and Demola was part of the people being initiated but in the movie he was already part of the cult group and only two people were being initiated. And another point is in the movie it was seen that four people were arrested but in the book it was stated that only three people were arrested.

Another point is Demola's mom was alive in the published version but she is dead in the movie, also, in the book Keziah's daughter's name was Mouritha, but in the movie her name was Heritage.

The last point is the whole of movement twenty three was not in the movie rather it was summarized at the end with a writing saying "Keziah's daughter was later named Heritage Demola-Diran. Keziah now continues her education at the university of Ibadan as her transfer was processed with her 100 level result.

