

**Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (K.C.S.E)**

**ENGLISH 101/3**

**MARKING SCHEME**

1. Imaginative Composition (Compulsory) (20 marks)

Either

(a) Write a story to illustrate the saying:

Do not judge a book by its cover.

- **Expect a narrative**
- **The candidate must come up with a story in which a character pretends to be what they are not.**

Or

(b) Write a story ending: I realized that the shortest way home is not always the quickest.

- **Expect a narrative**
- **It should end with the sentence given.**
- **The candidate should come up with a credible story in which a character has gone through a short cut in a given situation after which they realize the dire consequences of doing so.**

2. Compulsory Set Text (20 marks)

H.R. Ole Kulet, Blossoms of the Savannah

‘Women are their own worst enemies.’ Write an essay that depicts the relevance of this statement with reference to the events in the story, Blossoms of the Savannah

**INTRODUCTION:**

Accept a plausible and convincing introduction. (2 Marks) Example....

For a long time, women have fought to emancipate themselves from the yokes of men domination. However, these gains have been negated by the same women who appear to fight each other instead of supporting one another. This is best illustrated in H.R. Ole Kulet’s Blossoms of the Savannah where Mama Milanoi, Yeiyo Botor, Yeieo Kiti, the Enkaiboni, the three Esoit women and the Enkamuratani propagate the culture of female circumcision and early marriages.

**CONTENT/BODY** (12 Marks)

**Expect four points. Mark: 3,3,3,3**

- i) Mama Milanoi betrays her daughters by not standing up for them at their hour of need.
- ii) Women perform FGM and it is girls who suffer for it.
  - i. Women like Mama Milanoi and Uncle Simiren’s wives have accepted their inferior status
  - ii. Olarinkoi’s mother – the Enkaiboni, would like to get Resian circumcised before being married to her son, without her consent.
  - iii. It is women who conspire to lure Taiyo from her home to Esoit to carry out her forced marriage.
  - iv. When Mama Milanoi seeks Uncle Simiren’s wives over Oloisudori’s quest to marry Resian, they dismiss her and her husband as the proverbial hyena that straddled two parallel paths
  - v. When Resian wonders why women are raised just to please men, Mama Milanoi rebukes her while Yeiyo

Botorr accuses her of disrespect.

## CONCLUSION

Accept a plausible conclusion.

(2 Marks) Example

In conclusion, women are indeed their own worst enemies as seen in the Enkaiboni who plans to circumcise Resian against her will and Mama Milanoi who fails to protect her daughters from FGM and early marriages.

Language

(4marks)

### 3. The Optional Set Texts (20 marks)

Answer any one of the following three questions.

#### Either

(a) The Short Story - Chris Wanjala (Ed.), Memories We Lost

Drawing examples from Rolf Schmid's short story "No Need to Lie" write a composition on the topic: "Living with cancer does not have to be a death sentence."

#### INTRODUCTION:

Accept a plausible and convincing introduction.

(2 Marks)

#### CONTENT/BODY:

(12 Marks)

Expect four points

Mark 3,3,3,3

- i) Food
- ii) Sporting activities
- iii) Desire to see family
- iv) Strong will and optimism
- v) Positive attitude
- vi) Genuine friends

#### CONCLUSION:

Accept a plausible conclusion.

(2 Marks)

Language

(4 Marks)

#### Or

(b) Drama - David Mulwa, Inheritance

Illustrating your answer with examples from 'Inheritance,' write an essay entitled:

'The effects of greed.'

#### INTRODUCTION:

Accept a plausible and convincing introduction.

(2 Marks)

#### CONTENT/BODY:

(12 Marks)

Expect four points

- i) King Katula's poisoning
- ii) Purchase of an aircraft
- iii) Scattering of nation's wealth
- iv) Goldstein's advice to drive citizens out of their homes.
- v) Murder of Juba Zen Melo
- vi) Land grabbing by councilor Chipande
- vii) Lending money to African states to make profit.

**CONCLUSION:**

Accept a plausible conclusion.

**(2 Marks)**

Language

**(4 Marks)**

**Or**

(c) The Novel - John Steinbeck, The Pearl

Write an essay supporting the proposition that: 'Juana is the embodiment of reason in Steinbeck's novel, 'The Pearl.'

**INTRODUCTION:**

Accept a plausible and convincing introduction.

**(2 Marks)**

**CONTENT/ BODY:**

**(12 Marks)**

Expect four points

Mark 3,3,3,3

- i) Dangers of the Pearl
- ii) The second attack
- iii) The first killing
- iv) The flight to the north
- v) Demand for the doctor
- vi) Scorpion bite

**CONCLUSION:**

Accept a plausible conclusion.

**(2 Marks)**

Language:

**(4 Marks)**