## GATITU MIXED SECONDARY SCHOOL

## END OF TERM II EXAM NAME:.................................................

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**ENGLISH PP2 DATE.....................................**

Instructions: **Answer all questions in this paper. Time: 2hrs 30min**

**1. *COMPREHENSION (20MKS)***

***Read the following passage and then answer the questions that follow .***

There is nothing as important as a pregnant woman getting all the emotional support she can get during pregnancy. It makes her appreciate the pregnancy and in turn care of it well, says Dr Maxwell Okonji.

The doctor talked to *Pregnant Magazine* on how you can use your *mental muscle* to handle any pregnancy *misgivings.*

“Once you discover that you are pregnant, you need to be optimistic,” says. Dr Okonji. Positive handling of a pregnancy is one of the surest ways of carrying it to term, minus health complications.

He adds: “Stress and worry, which are bound to accompany the numerous emotional and physical changes that come along with pregnancy, can lead to depression”

Depression, particularly during pregnancy, often drains your energy, which can prevent you from seeking appropriate prenatal care. Depressed pregnant women.are more likely to abuse alcohol or drugs during the term. When it is most severe, depression can lead to self harm and even suicide. Are you depressed?

Persistent feelings of sadness, self-pity and hopelessness during the pregnancy The feelings could be accompanied by difficulty in sleeping or oversleeping, weight loss or change in appetite, irritability or mood swings; difficulty in concentrating, characteristic or bizarre behaviour, and thoughts of self-harm.

You may notice that you have become unusually hostile and fighting with your spouse often with no prompt.

Feeling as though you could do without the pregnancy at that time and that it is a reason that is constantly making you angry.

Having a mental condition. Before pregnancy make depression more likely during pregnancy. Again, if during a previous pregnancy- a woman showed signs of depression, chances are that when she falls pregnant again, it will recur.

 In cases where depression is severe with promptings to suicide, termination of the pregnancy may be called for. This is purely on medical grounds. This usually happens during the first three months. Termination should, however, be a last resort, after other modes of treatment have failed.

In the first three months of pregnancy, it is not unusual for a pregnant woman to have to experience nausea and vomiting

These are normally very frustrating to the mother, particularly if it’s a first pregnancy.

During this time, it is normal to have mood changes like touchiness and irritability over-friendliness to certain people and nastiness to others is a normal occurrence. This happens to a varying extent

and not to all women.

After the third month or so, those early signs of pregnancy and the mood changes disappear. The middle trimester, from four to six months, is a stable time for most women, with little or no problems during that time. The second and third trimester present more mood changes as the mother begins to feel the baby and in turn prepares to receive her.

Mood changes are quite normal and do not pose any threat to the pregnancy however, in case you as a woman notice that the moods border on the extreme, then it is recommended that you talk to a counselor.

***Adapted from, Lifestyle Sunday Nation, 13th November 2011***

**QUESTIONS**

 a) According to author what are the most essential things to a pregnant woman? (2mk)

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 b) In note form, what are the consequences of depression to a pregnant woman? (5mks)

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c) How will a pregnant woman know that she is depressed? (4mks) .................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................

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 d) According to the passage, a certain group of woman are likely to experience depression . Who are they? (2mks)

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 e) If depression in pregnant woman becomes worse, what should be done? ( 2mks)

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 f) Provide an antonym of the word “angry” ? (1mk)

 g) Explain the meaning of the following words and phrases as used in the passage? ( 4mks)

 i) Mental muscle

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 ii) Misgiving

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 iii) Drains

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 iv) Last resort

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 **2. THE RIVER AND THE SOURCE**

She felt the weight of injustice that women have felt since time immemorial in her male dominated world. Even a half- wit like her brother-in –law could rob her of her hard earned wealth, and her grandson of his rightful position as the chief, for in all truth Otieno should have held the chief’s stool only until the infant Owour came of age, but it was now clear he had no intention of ever giving up the chiefdom and after his death, his numerous sons would make sure that it stayed in the family. Owour would be outnumbered practically by infinity to one. As it was, his grandmother feared for his life and watched him like a hawk. It was disquieting to have all one’s egg in this one tiny frail basket.

 After pondering over her predicament at length Akoko decided to make contact with the sirikal and seek their intervention. The first thing she did was to remove her two year old grandson and take him back to her brother, Oloo in Yimbo. His mother had meanwhile married one of the numerous cousins. In any case she was not the sort of woman to fight for her rights, leave alone her son’s. All she wanted was a husband and some security, and who could blame her? After all not everybody could be like Akoko.

 Before she left she went to see her daughter Nyabera who was in mourning again having lost both her sons to a ferocious outbreak of measles which had raged through her village during the last harvest. She was pregnant again but so downcast and depressed that she stayed in her house, rarely going out and hardly eating. She needed help and her mother decided to spend some time with her before leaving.

 She found her daughter thin to the point of emaciation with her belly sticking out before her like an appendage. When she saw her mother still unbent and uncowed by suffering, looking like a woman half her age, she just broke down and wept in her arms as if she was a little girl again.

 “Cry my child, for one does not bury a child without burying a part of one’s soul with it. It is good to cry for who can comprehend the ways of Were? It is for us men to wash away our painful confusion with tears and then to carry on, perhaps there might be some meaning in it all that only glimmers like firefly in a dark night. Who knows but that one day Were will give you a child that lives and grows? Yesterday is not today and today is not tomorrow for each day rises fresh from the hands of Were god of the eye of the sun, bringing with it gladness and sorrow, sun and darkness, the two faces of Were; for how can we appreciate light unless we understand darkness? Weep my child and do not hold pain within yourself for it will turn into a snake that devours you from the inside.”

i. What happens immediately before this excerpt? 3 marks

ii. Name two injustices Akoko suffers from her brother-in-law. 2 marks

iii. Akoko and her daughter can be said to be ill-fated. Give reasons using evidence from the extract

 and elsewhere in the novel. 4 marks

iv. “After all not everybody was like Akoko”.

(a) How was Akoko different from her grandson’s mother mentioned in the excerpt? 2 marks

(b) What is the name of her grandson’s mother? (1mk)

v. (a) Akoko mentions of going to the sirikal for intervention . Why did she want intervention? 2 marks

 (b) Apart from the sirikal, name other changes that come with the white man. 3 marks

vi. Identify the following two stylistic devices used in the excerpt. 2 marks

 Simile-

 Proverb-

vii. (a) As Akoko comes to see her daughter Nyabera, she is very expectant. Whom does she

 give birth to? 1 mark

 (b)Akoko comes out as the source of the river. How does this child contribute to the river? 3marks

viii. Write the meaning of the following words as used in the extract. 2mks

 Numerous-

 Uncowed-

***3 POETRY 20 MARKS***

 ***Read the poembelow and then answer the questions that follow.***

 **WE THANK THEE**

 For flowers that bloom about our feet,

 For tender grass, so fresh and sweet,

 For song of bird and hum of bee,

 For all things fair we hear or see,

 Father in heaven, we thank thee!

 For blue of stream and blue of sky,

 For pleasant shade of branches high,

 For fragrant air and cooling breeze,

 For beauty of the blooming trees

 Father in heaven, we thank thee!

 For mother- love and father- care,

 For brothers strong and sister fair,

 For love at home and here each day,

 For guidance, lest we go astray,

 Father in heaven, we thank thee!

 For this new morning with its light,

 For rest and shelter of the night

 For health and food , for love and friends,

 For ev’rything His goods sends,

 Father in heaven, we thank thee!

 **Questions**

 a) Who is the persona in this poem? (2mk)

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 b) What is the poem about? (2mk)

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c) Identify any two poetic devices used and comment on their effectives. (4mks) .........................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................

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 d) Paraphrase (write in your own words) the last stanza. (3mks)

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e) Giving illustrations from the poem identify any three senses that the poet appeals to. (3mks) .....................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................

 f) Explain the meaning of the following lines.

 i) Blooming trees (1mk) ......................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................

 ii) For brothers strong and sisters fair. (2mks) .........................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................................

 iii) Lest we go astray (1mk)

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g) Comment on the mood of poem. (2 mks)

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**GRAMMAR (15 mks)**

 **2**. ***Complete the following sentences with the correct form of words in brackets. (2 mks)***

i) The ......................................................(sell) of the house has been stopped.

ii) John Michuki’s death is an ......................................( repair) loss to the nation.

 **3. *In the following sentences identity the verbs and state whether they are transitively or intransitively used. (2mk)***

 i) Kamau shut the door.

 ii) The baby slept soundly the whole night.

 **4. Underline the silent letters in the following words (2marks)**

1. Basically
2. Coup
3. Rue
4. mnemonic

 **5**.**Rewrite the following sentences according to the instructions after each. (5 mks)**

 (i) Joshua not only plays the piano but he also plays the guitar. Begin: Not only……...

 (ii) We can control the spread of HIV/AIDS by educating the public.

Begin: The spread…….

 (iii) Mutu says that he is unwell. (Rewrite in direct speech)

(iv)I like peanut butter in my bread. I like jam in my bread. ( use **both**…)

(v) You like tea, not coffee. ( ask a question using **prefer**)

7. Replace the underlined phrasal verb with a word with a similar meaning. (2mks)

ii) Waiyaki felt let down when Nyambura did not show up.

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iii) The teacher should have ironed out any differences between him and his class.

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 8. The following sentences have incomplete idiomatic expressions. Complete them correctly. (2mks)

1. To finish this work by today is a ………………………………….. order.
2. Stop poking your……………………………………….in other people’s affairs.