**GATITU MIXED SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**ENGLISH EXAM**

**TERM 2 2015 NAME:……………………………………………**

**FORM 3 ADM NO:…………………………………………**

**Answer all the questions in the spaces provided**

1.Who is a ***mikai***? Explain her importance in a home. (4 mks)

2. Describe two character traits for each of the following: ( 8 mks)

a)Akoko

b)Nyabera

c)Otieno Kembo

d)Becky

3.Explain the meaning of the following proverb and its relevance to Owuor and Akoko’s relationship,

**‘’Who knows the goodness of a tree but he who sits under its shade and eats its fruits’’** (4 mks)

4.Describe in three points the effects of the new religion to Nyabera and her mother. (6 mks)

5.’’Change is inevitable’’ Explain this statement in relation to Akoko’s grandchild Owuor and the decision he makes. (4 mks)

6.Explain how Mark Sigu was able to convince the ‘’iron lady’’ Elizabeth to marry him. (4 mk

7. Describe the difference between Becky and Vera’s character. (5 mks)

8.In what ways is Wandia’s character similar to that of Akoko. (5 mks)

**9Read the extract below and then answer the questions that follow**

My Chief! My Chief! They are both gone. They left last night before the first cockcrow.And, and…….’here he stammered and then stopped. ‘And what you fool! Tell me! The chief, a man never known to raise his voice almost screamed at the hapless man.

‘’Yes my chief! Their families said that they had heard them talking to a third man just before they left, but they did not see him because it was very dark.Akoko fell down with a deep faint.Nyabera ran to her mother screaming and held her head. The chief began barking orders to a group of people who had now gathered to find out the cause of the commotion. ‘Get the scouts except those on watch. Tell them to prepare two search parties-one to take the route of Gem and the others to follow the route of Asembo.May be we can intercept them before they reach very far. ‘The search parties were hastily formed, each containing of twelve men well trained in tracking game. The group started out together but separated at the edge of the village.

They were gone for two nights and two days and while they were gone.Akoko lay prostrate on her papyrus pallet. She dared not sleep for she was haunted by nightmares. She was beyond even praying to Were and she lay there hour after hour staring, dull eyed, into space. Her children hung around her, trying to make her eat but to no avail. Sometimes she said something to herself but try as they would, they could not catch her words. The older women watching her feared for her sanity for everyone knew that this was her son just like the younger was his father’s. He had been the only seventeen year old in the village who ever obeyed his mother without questions.

**Questions**

1 .Explain briefly what happens before this excerpt. (4 mks)

2 .Explain why Akoko faints. (2 mks)

3. State two Akoko’s character traits according to the excerpt. (2 mks)

4 .Expain the meaning of the following words as used in the extract. (3 mks)

i) Lay prostrate

ii) Sanity

iii) Intercept

5.What happens after this extract. (3 mks)