KUHS: FORM THREE MID TERM EXAM

ENGLISH

TIME 1.30 HOURS

Follow all the instructions carefully.

Section a (20 marks)

Read the following passage an answer the questions that follow.

THE BANNING ORDER

Biko and his family lived in a tiny house in th black township outside King William’s Town. One night, Biko was working late on an article for Woods to be printed in the Daily Dispatch under another name. suddenly, Ntsiki whispered a warning. Niko stopped writing and they both listened.

There’s someone out there with a torch,’Ntisiki whispered.

At that moment, someone banged loudly on the front door.

Biko gathered up the papers he was working on and Ntsiki took away the pen according to the banning order, he was not allowed to write anything, not even letter.

Biko went to the front door and opened it a crack, pretending to look sleepy. Lemick, the local detective, was there with Biko’s two regulate ‘minders’.

‘Yes?’ Biko growled, pretending he had just woken up.

We have orders to search your house for dangerous documents…. Lemick said aggressively.

Biko nodded coolly. Then he smiled at the two regular security police. “They’re keeping you boys up late,’ he said sympathetically.

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Biko yawned. “Do you have a warrant?’

Lemick, even more annoyed, pulled the document from his pocket and waved it in front of Biko’s face.

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Lemick was angry, but he decided he would look like a fool if he asked the two security policemen to break down the door. Sighing heavily, he walked to the side window. In the house, Biko made a quick search and gave another paper to Ntsiki, who was holding her younger son, SAMORA, in her arms. Then Biko went over to the window and opened it t the top.

I’ll need your torch,’ he said, yawning again.

One of the ‘minders’ stepped forward and shone his torch on the warrant.

Biko began to read, pretending to study each word had put a baby’s nappy on their bed, laying behind the papers on top of it. Gently, she lifted the sleeping Samora on to the papers and fastened the extra nappy on. Samora did not wake.

At the window, Biko reached the bottom of the first page and looked up at Lemick. ‘Fine,’ he said. “Turn the page, please.’

Lemick stared angrily at Biko. ‘Could you read a little faster?’

Biko continued to read each word. Behind him. Natiki coughed, a sign she had finished. She piecked up Samora, withhis double nappy, and held him against her shoulder.

Finally, Biko nodded. “
well, it’s all in order, but you won’t find any papers in my house.’

Lemick folded the document and put it back in his pocket.

‘We shall see.’

Biko started to shut the window.’As soonas my wirfe is properlydressed, I’ll let you come in.’

Lemick was anglry. He went back to the door and bnged loudly on it. Slowly, Biko opened the door. “

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