

**KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATION COUNCIL**

# **KCSE 2009**

**ENGLISH**

**PAPER 1**

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**Answer three questions only**

Imaginative Composition (compulsory)

(20 mks)

Either

a) Write a composition to illustrate the saying.

“Truth will always set you free”.

Or

Write a story beginning:

The birds ha already started their morning songs, and here I was wondering whether..

The Compulsory Set Text

(20 mks)

Ngugi Wa thiong’o, The River Between

Drawing you illustrations from Ngugi WA Thiong’o the River Between, Write an essay on the challenges of reconciliation.

**The Optional set Texts**

**(20 mks)**

Answer any one of the following three questions.

Either

a) **The short Story**

Macmillan (Ed.) , half a Day and other stories

With illustrations from contheth's short story " Letter to may sisters", show how traditions have been used to oppress women.

Or

b) **Drama**

John Ruganda, Shreds of Tenderness

"During a civil war, those who flee their country suffer as much as those who remain behind."

Drawing illustrations from Ruganda's Shreds of Tenderness, write an essay in support of this statement.

**Or**

c) **The Novel**

Velma Pollard's Homestretch.

Write an essay on ways of encouraging "domestic tourism". Drawing your examples from Velma pollard's Homestretch.

**ANSWERS:**

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