

Zamani College Kaduna
English Language
JS3 Holiday Assignment

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Sec A: Essay

Imagine that you have just written your first novel which is about to be published. Write an essay in a paragraph titled **About the Author** in not less than 100 words.

Section B: Comprehension: The gods are hungry-Okeke Chika Jerry

Read the **introduction on page (iv)** carefully and answer the following questions:

1. In what way does the text share similarities with **Achebe's Things Fall Apart** as identified in the first paragraph.
2. In one word, *The gods are hungry* is a story of
3. The phrase **exalted position of reverence** in the second paragraph means.....
4. What is the reason for the siege on the family of Obodoako Udenze?
5. Replace each of the following words or phrases as used in the passage, with another word or phrase **similar** in meaning:
 - a) endear
 - b) central deity
 - c) pleasure seekers
 - d) suspense
 - e) consistency
 - f) grim battle
 - g) wane
 - h) potency
 - i) exalted positions
 - j) consistency

Section A

Imagine that you are Ijeoma in the first chapter of the text “**The gods are hungry**”, write a letter to Ofodile telling him why you will not consent to his proposal.

Section B : Comprehension

Read the second chapter of the text **The gods are hungry** carefully and answer the following questions:

1. In one word or phrase, how will you describe the events presented in the second chapter.
2. Why did Ekejiuba choose to deny the fact that something was amiss?
3. How will you describe Monica’s gesture towards her husband?
4. What items did Ekejiuba take with him on his hunting expedition?
5. Replace each of the following words or phrases as used in the passage, with another word or phrase **similar** in meaning:
 - a) spell
 - b) paraphernalia
 - c) muffled
 - d) sheathed
 - e) eerie
 - f) unabated
 - g) prospect
 - h) implicity
6. What reason does the writer say forced Monica to embrace Christianity?
 - b) The word **embraced** as used in the last paragraph means.....