

CRE SCENARIO BASED QUESTIONS

ITEM ONE

Jack is a committed Christian who always take readings in church and helps in ushering during the time the priest conducts Holy communion. Jack also runs a business of selling food stuff. However his business is not doing well like that of a neighbor. He has few customers, one of his friends is advising him to go to a witch doctor for a charm for success in his business which idea Jack is not comfortable with.

TASK: Help Jack to remain faithful to God despite the challenges he is facing.

ITEM TWO

Submit to your husband one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives submit yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord, for the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body of which he is the Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. Husbands love your wives as Christ loved the Church and gave himself up for her... (Ephesians 5:21-25)

TASK: Use the message in the Bible text to strengthen marriage today.

To: Relate the message in the Bible text to the African traditional ways of strengthening families.

ITEM THREE

A certain farmer had failed to agree on which particular family to have, the wife decided to report the matter to the police unit in charge of local religious leaders and elders of the family. The issue came from the wife being

from the family where children lived with their relatives. The woman had wanted her husband to accept to bring her relatives home which the man disagreed. This resulted into a constant fight not only at their home, but also in the community they lived.

TASK: (a) Explain the Christian values that can be advocated to restore family relationships in the scenario.

(B) Using Contemporary approach, what advise can you give to the family to remain stable despite the challenges?

ITEM FOUR

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil

(1 Thessalonians 5:17 GMB)

TASK: (a) How can the above text help Christians to be in good relationship with God?

(b) Relate the above text with the modern worship practices in Uganda.

ITEM FIVE

Societies today are changing. Many people have become career-oriented and care less about marriage. People are comfortably choosing to live as single parents. Marriage is no longer necessary as long as one has a good job. In addition, societies are being attacked by the vice of sexual deviations. Homosexuality is on the rise. The elders, politicians, local community leaders, and religious leaders are concerned

because Marriage is Gods original plan.

TASK: (a) As a student of christian religious education use the above scenario to create a good relationship among the married In uganda today.

(b) Explain the Traditional African approaches that can be used by the people In the contemporary world to keep their marriage stable.

ITEM SIX

Kule is an adult Wealthy Christian who lives In oyo town. At the end of every year, he goes to his village to perform traditional African Worship practices of praying to ancestral spirits and making offerings to gods In shrines expecting to get fame and good health. Recently on his return from village, explained the details of his traditional African Worship practices are against the teachings of Christianity. Peter wishes to change his wife to uphold Christian Worship practices and know how to relate with his relatives In the villages who believe In traditional African Worship.

TASK: (a) Explain the practices of worship that should uphold given his circumstances In the scenario.

(b) How can Peter relate with his relatives In the village who are described In the scenario?

Item two:

Dan Muwonge a strong Christian has been married to his wife Hazel for 15 years. One day he found his wife with another man in a lodge which caused a scandal in the small town, however his wife claimed that she had gone out to look for ways of making their family survive. Dan doesn't provide necessities at home.

Task :

- Using your bible knowledge advise the couple.
- Use the contemporary views to help the couple live faithfully in their family.

ITEM EIGHT

The reverend in St. Peters cathedral last Sunday preached about the following scriptures during the morning service. In his preaching, he read;

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only." (Matthew 4:10)

"Let everything that have breath praise the Lord" (Psalm 150:6) and "therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters in view of God's mercy to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship." (Romans 12:1)

Isaac who just converted to Christianity has failed to relate the scriptures to his mission of getting closer to God he claims that his old way connecting with God through his passed ancestors was more clear.

Task

- As a devoted Christian, write a presentation that would help him to relate the scriptures to his mission of converting.
- Relate his old ways of connecting with God to the new way he has found in church.

ITEM NINE

Stephen who is now one of the church leaders got a wife during his youthful age from a function that was at their village although it wasn't official according to his church. After having ten children with her, Stephen got involved in another young girl. This annoyed the wife and she decided to quit the marriage and there she claimed that her husband was unfair to their marriage and the promises he made to visit her.

parents' home. Stephen was advised by the church leader to reconcile with his wife but he instead brought the new young girl at home to look after him and his children.

Task :

- As a young Christian, what lessons do you learn from the family of Stephen.
- Referring to the African traditional beliefs, explain how you would advise this family to reconcile.

ITEM TEN

"All you that are righteous abstain for joy, for what the Lord has done. Praise him all you that obey him. Give thanks to the Lord with hymns. The words of the Lord are true and all his works are dependable. The Lord loves what is righteous and just. His constant love fills the earth. The Lord created the heavens by His command. The sun, moon and stars by His spoken word. He gathered all the seas into one place. The Lord watches over those who obey him and we trust in His constant love. He saves them from death and keeps them alive in times of famine. He is our protector and our help. We are glad because of Him and trust in His Holy name.

May your constant love, be with us LORD, as we put our hope in you. Psalms 33: 1-22 (GNB)

Tasks :

- How can the message in the above text increase people's faith and trust in God in Uganda today?
- Explain the attributes of God according to traditional African Religious, religions ; similar to the biblical teaching about the nature of God as revealed in the text above.

ITEM ELEVEN

Joseph, who is a resident of Kasakaso village in Uganda, wants to divorce his wife Sara with whom, he has stayed for nine years

in a marriage bond. They want to separate and take the two children they have so far produced, to their grandparents. This is a couple that was officially married in church. The reason Joseph gives is that, Sarah has become lazy and unfaithful to her marriage vows. Sarah also admits and claims that she has become disloyal to the vows of her monogamous marriage because Joseph has always failed to fulfill his sexual responsibilities due to his busy schedules at work. The friends of Joseph try to help him solve his marriage problems, but in vain.

Task

Using the Christian and Traditional African views, Explain the approaches that can be used to make the struggling marriage in the scenario stable.

ITEM TWELVE

During Baptism ceremony at Katikamu Parish, Rev Fr Kato Peter expressed his concern about the festival and increasing level of the youth in the community who can only attend church worship during the festival seasons and some neglect it completely. According to this man of God, the youth are the foundational pillar of the church but their negligency towards church programmes is making the future of the church to be at stake. He ended by calling upon all people in the church to collectively put efforts of bringing back the youth.

Task .

- As one of the youth christians, what do you think are the factors that are causing the above issue among the youth.
- As a responsible and concerned member of the church, how best can you respond to the call of Rev. Fr Kato Peter.

ITEM THIRTEEN

After her appointment as the general manager of Kajansi food processing industry, Damalie realised that the negative work environment, poor performance and decreased job satisfaction was due to the lack of moral principles to govern workers' behaviour when conducting their activities. This has even hindered the development of the company.

Task:

Imagine you are Damalie, how can you overcome the above issues in the company?

ITEM 14

Joel Nshuti a 29 year old, was a street preacher around shoprite traffic lights for 10 yrs. Two months ago he was approached by a well-wisher who offered him a piece of land in Kilombe Zone Nsambya to build on a church and continue spreading the gospel comfortably. Through friends and other well-wishers, a church was built. He received chairs, loud speakers, a key board and drums and on a daily basis 50 new members join the congregation. In July, this year, he came up with a church programme that included overnight prayers every Friday. However, some neighbours approached him requesting him to relocate his church or conduct worship without instruments since the instruments especially the speakers were too loud, hence a source of noise pollution in the community.

Task:

- As a Christian, why did Joel come up with such a programme at his church?
- In your Opinion, explain the possible ways of preventing such a situation?

ITEM 15

A samaritan woman came to draw some water and Jesus said to her "Give me a drink of water". The woman answered, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan so how can you ask me for a drink?" Jesus answered, "If you only know what God gives and who it is that is asking you for a drink, you would ask him and he would give you life giving water."

"Sir, the woman said, you do not have a bucket, and the well is deep where would you get that life-giving water? --- Jesus answered, "Those who drink this water will get thirsty again. The water that I will give them will become in them a spring which will provide them with life giving water and give them eternal life."

"Sir", the woman said, "give me that water! Then will never be thirsty again, nor will I have to come here to draw water". John 4:7-15.

Task:

- As a CRE student, explain the lessons you learn from Jesus' conversation with the Samaritan woman.
- How should modern people in your community treat each other as derived from the text above?

ITEM 16

This year in February, Uganda lost a musician star Mbaziira Deo commonly known as Baby Deo star (kasuku) in a fatal accident. During and after his burial, there arised many conflicts between people of different religions. The Christians blamed the 'Ssabakabono' a leader of Buganda traditional religion for breaking up the cross of Jesus Christ which they had placed on the coffin of Baby Deo. In reply Ssekabona a staunch/strong follower of Traditional Religion also blamed the Christians and Muslims for believing in what they do not even understand where it came from. This created very many arguments between the two party's traditionalists versus Muslim and Christianity.

Task:

As a senior two student of Christian Religious Education, use the knowledge acquired from the beliefs and teachings of different religions to address this challenge.

ITEM 17

Margret a 22 years virgin university students at Kyambogo is confused of her life. She has abstained from sex since her childhood due to her own reasons but now her friends are ill-advising her that she is missing alot in her life since sex is the most enjoyable act they have ever experienced. Now Margret is confused on whether she should continue with her decision until the right time comes.

Task

- What are they likely challenges that Margret and many girls like her face in the community they live in?
- Why do you think Margret decided to abstain from sex until the right time.

ITEM 18

Jane a senior five student at Uganda Martyrs secondary school Kakiri for many times she tend to ignore the discussions with her fellow class members and even when her Dcs requested her to contest as a head prefect of the school she refused. When teachers ask questions in the class she don't reply and last time she told the teacher that she fears students to laugh in case the answer is wrong. Now her fellow students regards her as a basic student.

Task:

- As a student of Christian religious education, use the knowledge acquired from your CRE lessons and explain what are the likely causes of Jane's behaviour.
- How best can you help Jane overcome such a behaviour to enable her live a happy life at school, community and at areas of work.

ITEM 19

Mark had two boys whom he educated up to university, he also has a sugarcane plantation but his two boys are not willing to work in his plantation that it's a dirty work, they keep stealing their father's money for destructive leisure activities such as over drinking alcohol, clubbing and going to the discos. They have failed to develop themselves.

Task:

- How can the above scenario help Ugandans live a productive life today?
- Relate the above text with the African traditional ways of maintaining peace and harmony.

ITEM 20

And then Jesus preached to them, "When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites! They love to stand up & pray in the Houses of worship and on the street corners, so that everyone will see them, I assure you, they have already been paid in full. But when you pray, go to your room, close the door, and pray to your father, who is unseen. And your father, who sees what you do in private will reward you. Do not use a lot of meaningless words, as the pagans do, who think that God will hear them because their prayers are long. Do not be like them. Your father already knows what you need before you ask him. (Matthew 6:5-8)

Task:

- Explain the benefits the scripture/Bible text to Christians today.
- Why should Christians keep themselves close to God?

ITEM 21

Aminah and Joy, are senior three students at Uganda martyrs secondary school, using the same desk. One day Aminah left her Holy Quran in the class during prayer time. Accidentally

- when Jane was removing her books she never recognized that the Holy Quran fell down. After prayers, Aminah come back and found her Quran down full of dust. She is now planning to revenge against Joy by destroying her sacred items of Christianity.
- a, Use Christian values to restore harmony between Aminah and Joy.
 b, How can Aminah and Joy to understand that they are one.

ITEM 22

The Unlike in the past whether cases of single parents were limited, in Uganda today the rate of single parents is increasing day and night, the holy institution of marriage is facing a lot of challenge, both men and women are blaming each other for failing marriage and as a result wives are separating from their husbands.

TASK :

- a, What do you think are the causes of the above issues in marriage ?
 b, How can the above issues be solved by Christian teaching ?

ITEM 23

Teacher, "he asked, which is the greatest commandment?" Jesus answered, Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. this is the greatest and the most important commandment. The second most important commandment is like it. Love your neighbour as you love yourself "(Matthew 22:36-39)

Task:

How can the above scripture improve on the dignity of different people in your community ?

ITEM 24

Imagine your sister is old enough and ready for marriage. Among the different types of marriage she prefers customary type of marriage because of respect for her culture. Unfortunately she does not

Know the process of customary type of marriage.

Task:

Describe how you can help her.

ITEM 25

In Uganda some people think that Political leaders have authority to decide for them what rights they should have and what rights they should not possess. This is totally wrong because human rights are for all regardless of the sex, occupation, age, religion, tribe, race or any other basis of difference. Your school has organized the anti-human rights campaign aiming at educating people about their rights and why it is very dangerous not to respect one's right among people of the nearby community and appointed you to represent them.

Task:

Write a message to be delivered during the campaign.

ITEM 26

Among the most significant prayer in Christianity, is the Lord's Prayer. This prayer was at first used as a lesson by Jesus to His disciples on how they should pray. This is a short prayer with a wider meaning. Christian should therefore meditate on the meaning of each statement used in such a sacred prayer.

Task:

The scripture Union of Uganda martyrs S.S has selected you to preach about the Lord's prayer. Write a message you can deliver to your fellow students.

ITEM 27

Since Alex has been looking for a marriage partner. Last Sunday during Sunday service, he admired the beauty and voice of Janet who is a choir leader of Kyanjove Catholic Church. After the

service he met her and opened his admiration and both agreed to become marriage partner as soon as possible. However Alex's friends advised him to first take enough time knowing Janet before considering her as his wife. This has confused Alex saying that his friends intends to waste his time which may even make Janet break the relationship.

Task:

- a, Write a message convincing Alex to take his friends advise.
- b, What do you think Alex should consider when choosing a right marriage partner and why.

ITEM 28.

For scriptures say, "The body is the temple of God" but unfortunately in this 21st century the young generation no longer value their body yet they demand respect from others. This is a big challenge to a society basing on morals. A case in point was in Busega when the police discovered that there is a bar where girls entertain people while naked.

Task:

Identify and explain other evil practices that lowers the value of one's body and highlight on the dangers of not valuing one's body.

ITEM 29.

For God created one man and one woman. Thus we all have the same origin and expected to behave as brothers and sisters but man is living a life of hatred, malice, disappointment, suspicious and ever at conflict with one another. In order to create a peaceful society we need to preach the gospel of love, forgiveness and integrity to all without discrimination.

Task:

Imagine your church has organised a youth camp, write a message you can deliver to camp members.

ITEM 30.

The Lord God said "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a companion for him who corresponds to him". so the lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep, and while he was asleep, he took part of the man's side and closed up the place with flesh - Then the Lord God made a woman from the part he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This one at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one will be called "woman" for she was taken out of man." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and unites with his wife, and they become a new family - Genesis 2:18, 21-24 (NET).

Task .

- How can the message in the scriptures above strengthen married among Ugandans today?
- Relate the message in the Biblical text above to the Traditional African Understanding of marriage .

ITEM 31

But i tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous . if you love those who love you what reward will you get ? Are not even the tax collectors doing that ? And if you greet only your own people , what are you doing more than others ? Do not even pagans do that ? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly father is perfect - Matthew 5 : 44-48 (NIV) .

Task .

- Using christian knowledge how can the above text help

christians to live in harmony with their neighbours ?
 b) Relate the above text with the African traditional ways of maintaining peace and harmony .

ITEM 32 .

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. for God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only son .

John 3:16-18 (HIV) .

Task .

- a) How can the message in the above text help christians in Uganda to have strong faith in God ?
- b) Explain how the message in the above text is similar to the contemporary ways of showing faith in God .

ITEM 33 .

Lillian borrowed some money from her friend Alfred, promising to pay it back within one month, unfortunately Lillian refused to pay back the money and instead asked Alfred to produce evidence of lending her money . The two lost friendship and are now in conflict , hatred and ill-talk against each other yet they are members of the same community

Task .

Use christian teachings about values which restore friendship between the two parties involved in the scenario .

ITEM 34.

A certain lady got a Muganda man from Masaka last year and the two have been intending to get married this year. Unfortunately, the lady found out that the man has a religion she doesn't understand. The man doesn't go to any church neither a mosque but instead goes to a local shrine every Wednesday of the week and they pray traditionally there. She politely told the man to stop his paganism. The man felt offended and stopped talking to her not until she apologised for calling him pagan. The lady talked to her brother about the paganism of her man. He brother shocked her by responding that her man was not a pagan but instead, a highly religious man. The lady was not convinced with this statement and came to you for more advice.

Task.

Write an essay defending her husband and brother.

ITEM 35.

Dan Mwanga a strong Christian caught his wife with another man in a lodge which caused a scandal in that small town, however, his wife claimed that she had gone out to look for ways of making their family survival since Dan does not provide.

Task.

Using your Bible knowledge, advise this couple.

ITEM 36.

"Pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This what God want from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus". 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18 (GNB).

Task

How can the message in the text above help christians to worship God?

ITEM 36.

The Lord is my shepherd - I have everything I need and he lets me rest in fields of green grass and tends me to quiet pools of fresh water.

He gives me strength : He guides me in the right paths as he has promised.

Even if i go through the deepest darkness . I will not be afraid . Lord , for you are with me your shepherd's rod and staff protect me .

You prepare a banquet for me, where all my enemies can see me , you welcome me as a honored guest and fill my cup to the brim .

I know that your goodness and love will be with me all my life and my life and your house will be my home as long as I live " Psalms 23:1-6 (GNH) .

Task :

a) How is the text (Psalms 23:1-6) a true guide to christians ?

ITEM 37.