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Third, he was made a minister after he won the election. That is why he is considered wealthy and strong. Question 3. Marcus Ibe was one before that. doctor b. teacher c. politician. Answer: (b) teacher. Question 4. The fact that Marcus Ibe left the good things of the capital and returned to his village whenever he could, shows a. his devotion to his people and love for the place b. he enjoyed all the comforts of the city in his village. c. he wants to improve the facilities in his village. Answer: (b) he enjoyed all the amenities of the city in his village. Question 5. After the party, the villagers of A. praised Marcus' loyalty and generosity. b. intends to demand more for their votes c. recognize Marcus's wealth. Answer: (c) recognize Marcus's wealth. Question 6. The 'whisper campaign' is a. secretly campaigning at night B. bargaining for votes. c. secretly distributing money. Answer: (c) secretly distribute money. Question 7. The village of Eider Ezenwa tilted the lights a bit because a. he could not see properly. b. the place is too dark. c. he wants to confirm the amount paid for each. Answer: (c) he wants to confirm the amount paid for each. Question 8. 'Firewood' refers to one. Roof's taking advantages of becoming a voter. c. the benefits that older people receive. Answer: (c) the benefits that older people receive. Answer: (d) the benefits that older people receive. Question 9. Roof and the leader of the POP campaign group are a. friends. b. strangers. c. acquaintances. Answer: (a, c) friend/acquaintance. Question 10. Roof was fascinated by a. red notes on the floor. b. photos of cocoa farmers. c. pop campaign leader. Answer: (a) red notes on the floor. Sentence Roof's actions to insert torn ballot papers in two boxes meant A. kept his promise. B.B. lyi c. absolving himself of his sins. Voter Contact Section II Question 1. Watch the change in the attitudes of villagers ahead of Monday's election. Give a reason. OR Why did people decide not to vote for free in the upcoming election? OR Explain the change that went into Umuofia's thinking in 'Voters'. OR Keep track of the reasons behind the 'radical change' that went intoUmuofia's thinking in 'Voters'. Answer: In this short story, Chinua Achebe makes an effort to present before the reader how 'elections' lose their sanctity and are abused by greedy politicians for self-aggrandizement instead of bringing about improvement in people's lives. The people of Umuofia voted in favour of the People's Alliance Party and elected Marcus Ibe, a local teacher, as their leader. Once elected, people saw a lot of change in Marcus's life. Their elected representatives became wealthy, awarded the titles of leader and doctor, among many others. He also built a large castle in his home village and named it 'Umuofia Mansions'. He spent most of his time in the capital and returned to stay in his village mansion sometimes. The villagers had no living water and electricity, but he received a private factory installed in his village to provide electricity for his new home. To top it all, his new home was opened by the Archbishop. On the day the new house was opened, he hosted a large dinner for all the people in his village, slaughtering five males and countless goats. Ordinary people realize that winning an election can change a normal duty school teacher into a rich and powerful man. They also know that it was their ballot that gave him all those benefits. They recall that they gave their votes for free five years ago. They realized that they underestimated the power of the ballot paper and should not do so again. That is why, in the second election, they demand money for their votes. Question 2. What is the justification for the formation of POP? OR What reason was given for the formation of POP? Answer: POP stands for Progressive Organisation Party. The party was founded by tribes down the coast to save itself from 'complete political, cultural, social and religious destruction'. POP was a complete non-reality in the first election. Once the organizers came to know that there was no opposition party, some wealthy members of the tribe descended to the coast, founding the party. They want people to know that they will be paid pounds and not shillings if they listen to them. In the story, we don't get any hints about the goals of PAP, but the organizers of POP that they want to save people from politics, religion, culture, although they appear to be no better. From the situation described in the story, we can infer that the writer intends to tell the reader that no political party is seriously interested in improving the welfare of the people. They seem to know for sure that by winning an election, they can take the government into their own hands and become rich. They do not seem to know about their duties and responsibilities. Ouestion 3. The roof is a smart operation. Justify with reference to the story. OR what is Roof's role in 'Voters'? Answer: Roof Okeke is an energetic young man and has returned to his own village of Umuofia, after working as a bicycle repairer for two years in Port Harcourt. It is true that he would have enjoyed a wealthy life if he had stayed in his work. But he returned to the village and told people that he wanted to guide them in difficult times. He then became an 'election' campaign manager' for Marcus Ibe and over a period of five years became an expert in election campaigns at all levels. In the story, we learn more about Roof while he is working, participating in one of his whispering campaigns. He told the elders that Marcus Ibe, a 'son' from their village, had been made a minister and it should be considered a great honour. Then he tries to use his reasonable thoughts with people. He asked them, Do you ever stop to wonder why we should be pointing out for this honor? He himself answered his question. He told them that they were favored by PAP leaders. Here we see Roof as a manipulator at work. He knew for sure that Marcus was probably the only man with some education. Second, there is no opposition party. Basically, the villagers are innocent and naïve and barely realize the significance of an election and the value of their mission. Roof exploited this situation to his advantage. Moreover, when he came to learn that people understood the benefits of getting involved in politics and winning an election as seen in the case of Marcus lbe and now planning not to give their votes for free, he immediately notified Marcus and kept him prepared to pay some money to the people to in exchange for their votes. Finally, we get a clear picture of Roof as a manipulation when he accepts £5 from the POR's election manager He assures them that they will not reveal the news of his acceptance of the money. He also tried to keep his conscience clear by telling them that he worked for Marcus; while putting his ballot paper in the box, he skillfully manages to vote for both Marcus and Maduka, without attracting the wrath of Voter Contact Section III Question 1. The POP campaign leader's meeting with Roof showed the abuse of transparency in a Democratic establishment. Discuss. Answer: In this story, Achebe guips 'politicians' and makes a to show how even in a democratic establishment election can become farcical. Unlike in dictatorships or monarchies, in a democratic establishment, people have the freedom to elect a 'person' to work as their representative in government and work for their upliftment. One of the highlights of democracy is the insistence on transparency. Each is subject to public scrutiny during the contestants. 'Transparent' in this mention of Roof's message to POP campaign leaders that he is working for Marcus. Second, whether Roof informs him or not, everyone knows that Roof is Marcus' election campaign manager. Candidates are allowed by law to make people know all such appointments and maintain transparency in their transactions. However, no candidate can make a deal with the people and buy their votes. But this is done secretly. Pop campaign leaders know that Roof is working for Marcus. So they want to buy Roof's vote first so they'll let him know that POP leaders will pay in pounds and not in shillings. This is the message they want to pass on to the people through Roof. Perhaps, next time Roof who made a name as an effective election campaign manager for Marcus, will be bold enough to demand 'pounds' instead of shillings from Marcus and if he refuses to pay in pounds, he can go and work for the POP leader., he will be able to motivate his people to vote for POP instead of circus. Consequently, the POP campaign managers' meeting with Roof is an abuse of transparency in a Democratic establishment. Question 2. To every human being comes at a time of reckoning. How does Roof's dilemma on Election Day reflect this? OR Why did Roof face a dilemma while he was inside the voting booth? How did he solve it? OR There comes a time in every man's life to decide. Explain with reference to 'Voters'. Answer: In 'The Voter', Roof is an energetic young man who has a reputation for sacrificing a bright future for the benefit of the people of his village. Roof has worked in a city for two years and has experience in dealing with both literacy, and illiteracy, and illiteracy, and illiteracy, and illiteracy, and illiteracy, and illiteracy and illiteracy and illiteracy. Based on this knowledge of general human behavior, Roof built himself a career as an election campaign manager for Marcus Ibe. As the story unfolds, we know that Marcus Ibe is The Minister of Culture honored in the government going and is seeking the duty of the people for a second term. i also know that Marcus considers Roof a real expert in election campaigns at all levels. Roof knows how politicians make money. He also knew that the people of Umuofia had decided to vote for Marcus for a price. Roof conveyed this news to Marcus and prepared him in advance. Like an effective manager, he tries to the strengths of PAP and ultimately strike a bargain with voters paying them four shillings per vote. Everything is now going according to his plan and is happy. But, one evening, the leader of the POP campaign group came to his house to meet him. He tempted Roof to vote for Maduka to pay him five pounds. Roof's greed tempted him to accept the offer. But, he was also trapped. The leader asked him to swear on 'lyi', that he would vote for Maduka. Roof can't go back to his promises. So he vowed to vote for Maduka. Finally, on polling day, Marcus wanted to make sure that every one of them voted without fail. So Roof is caught up in a moral dilemma. All along he worked for Marcus and his conscience did not allow him to cheat Marcus. Now, when Marcus asks him to cast his vote, he is in two minds. He felt that he could not betray Marcus and go back and return the money he had received from the POP election manager. In a few seconds, his mind hits on a new idea. He folded the ballot paper in the middle and tore it into two halves at the fold. He drops the first half into the box for Maduka. Since he has not taken an oath to vote for Marcus, there is no fear of 'lyi' in him, but only his sins. Since he has worked as his manager for money and rewards, he drops the other half into the box meant for Marcus. So he made sure he wasn't cheating either. By tearing up the ballot paper and voting for both of them, he overcame his moral dilemma. Question 3. What comment does the story offer on the electoral system? Is it related? Answer: In 'Voters', Achebe tries to present a real picture of the film witnessed in an election held in a small town in Nigeria. There are two main characters and two political parties in the story and the voters are Umuofia villagers. Roof is an energetic young man who now works as election campaign manager for Marcus Ibe, who served as a local mission school teacher and is on the verge of being fired from the service on the basis of a female teacher's complaint. Marcus Ibe joined the People's Alliance Party, contested and was elected. He became a minister and his government completed a five-year term and now he is seeking re-election. During his term as a minister, he amassed a lot of wealth, came to the Two big cars, built a large villa in his home village, and won several titles of leader and doctor.' But his people remained the same - poor, illiterate, ignorant, and naïve. The situation in his village also does not show any The same old problem of lack of running water and electricity continues to plague people and prevent them from improving economically and politically. As the story unfolds, we know that Marcus Ibe is seeking a second term and everyone is sure that he will get a landslide victory because no opposition party is worth taking into consideration. But there is a change in people's perceptions. After eating in Marcus's new home and noting his wealth and power, the poor people of Umuofia realized that their 'elections' were meaningful and that their votes, which they had underestimated before, were of high value. Consequently, they demand some value for their votes and Roof manages to convince them that they should vote for Marcus again by giving four shillings each. Some tribes down the coast have formed a new political party called POP with the goal of saving people from 'complete political, cultural, social and religious destruction'. Their campaign leader came to Roof's house and agreed to vote. But the POP leader deftly gets him to swear on 'iyi' that he will vote for Maduka. Finally, on election day, his conscience pricks him to a small extent and Roof feels like voting loyally for Marcus and returning the money to the POP election manager. However, Roof cut his voting paper into two, dropping half into the box meant for Maduka and dropping the other half into the box meant for Marcus, and saving his conscience and his life too. Here's the story in a nutshell. There are lessons to learn from this story. We must note that simply naming our government as 'democratic' and establishing all the necessary things to hold elections does not guarantee that people will be able to carry out their true duties and will elect competent members to the government that will strive for the uplifting of the social people education, economics and culture. We cannot guarantee democratic governance by only holding regular elections. First, we must educate people about their rights, obligations and responsibilities in any election. Second, we have to make sure that people have the right to call back their representatives a lot of people. Third, elected representatives must be forced to take into account their income after joining the government. Finally, there should be an authority that should oversee that the sanctity of election procedures is not tampered with. In addition, the elected people are self-centered and exploit the people and the situation for their benefit. In general, one can argue that just holding elections is often we cannot guarantee that a democratic government will Second, the electoral system that is now in place in the story is not foolproof. Regarding the connection of the story to our own situation, one can argue that it is highly relevant even today. 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guarantee free and fair elections, the main reason being a lack of education and moral values. We are witnesses to all kinds of corrupt practices in elections and Answers I. Answer the following questions in one word, one phrase, or each: Question 1. Where did Roof work as a
bicycle repairer? OR What did Roof do in Port Harcourt? A: Roof worked as a bicycle repairer for two years. Question 3. Roof gave up as a bicycle repairer to (a) contest election (b) instruct
his people (c) campaign for Marcus. Answer: (b) and (c) guide his people/campaigns for Marcus. Question 4. Who founded the Progressive Organizing Party? A: The
Umuofia. Question 6. 6. is said to be very famous in his village? Answer: Roof. Question 7. According to the villagers, what is Roof's motivation to leave a promising career? A: Villagers believe that a strong desire to guide the people of Umuofia in difficult times is the motivation behind the roof to leave a
promising career. Question 8. Which political party do the people of Umuofia support? Answer: People's Alliance Party. Question 9. Which side does Marcus belong to? A: For the People's Alliance Party. Question 10. What is Marcus in government going? Answer: Minister of Culture. Verse 11. Who did
the Roof campaign for in the election? Answer: For Marcus Ibe. Verse 12. What was Marcus Ibe before he got into politics? Answer: A mission school teacher. Verse 13. Why does Marcus Ibe face the threat of being fired from the service as a school teacher? Answer: A female teacher has complained
against Marcus Ibe. Therefore, his dismissal is imminent. Question 14. What did Marcus name his new home? Answer: 'Umuofia Mansions'. Question 15. Who is Marcus Ibe
draw ahead for the election? Answer: Five months salary. Question 17. How much did Marcus give people at first to vote for him? Answer: Two shillings per voter. Question 18. How much did Marcus give people in the end to vote for him? OR How many Shillings were eventually accepted for the votes of
the elderly? Answer: Four shillings. Question 19. Who are Roof's enemies mentioned when he talks to elders? Answer: The Progressive Organizing Party? OR Who founded POP? Answer: Maduka. Question 21. How much did POP
ask Roof to vote for Maduka? OR How much does Roof receive from Maduka's representatives? OR How much did the POP campaign group provide the roof for its vote? Answer: 5 pounds. Question 22. What is the electoral symbol of the People's Alliance Party? OR What is the symbol used by Marcus
in the election? Answer: A motor vehicle. Question 23. What is the symbol of the Progressive Organizing Party? Answer: A man's head. Question 24. What is 'Umuofia Villa'? OR where did Marcus Ibe build his grand mansion in 'The Voter'? Answer: 'Umuofia Mansions' is the name of the largest house in
Umuofia, built by Marcus Ibe. Question 25. Where, on election morning, did Marcus Ibe sit and shake hands with the villagers? OR where did Marcus Ibe sit on the morning of the election? Answer: On election morning, Marcus Ibe sat in the 'owner's corner' of his giant green car, shakes hands with the
villagers. Question 26. What is Rufus Okeke called? OR Who was solved as roof, for short? Lyrics: Rufus Okeke is called for short of the people in his village. Question 27. What did Marcus promise voters if he was elected in the upcoming election? OR Mention pap's promise if they are elected to power.
Answer: Marcus has promised to give pipe-borne water to the village if he is elected in the upcoming election. Verse 28. Who was competing with Marcus in the election. Verse 29. What did Roof warn Marcus about the upcoming
election? Answer: Roof warned Marcus about the radical change that has come into Umuofia's mind since the last national election. Question 30. Why did Marcus Ibe get into politics? Answer: Marcus was wise to get involved in politics just in time to avoid imminent dismissal arising from a female
teacher's complaint. Verse 31. What does PAP represent? Answer: PAP stands for People's Alliance Party. Verse 32. What does POP represent? Answer: POP stands for Progressive Organisation Party. Question 33. How much did Roof give the villagers to vote for Marcus? Answer: Roof gave four
shillings per villager to vote for Marcus. Question 34. What did Roof do to pledge to secure his vote for Maduka? OR What was Roof asked to swear on by the POP group? Answer: Roof was created to swear on Mbanta's Iyi to secure her vote for Maduka. Question 35. Who is the most illustrious son of
PAP mentioned in 'Voters'? Answer: Marcus Ibe is the Minister of Culture honored in the go-to government mentioned in the electorate. Question 37.
Naming the man with the high traditional title in Umuofia is mentioned in 'Voters'. Answer: Ogbuefi Ezenwa is the man of the high traditional title in Umuofia mentioned in 'Voters'. Answer: Some of the
titles/political interests that have brought To Marcus Ibe are wealth, leader titles, and doctored degree. Question 39. The opposite of Marcus Ibe in 'The Voter' is like (a) a fly trying to move an anthill. (b) the bird challenges his personal spirit (c) a mortar that turns its back on the ground. Answer: (a) a fly is
trying to move a slope. Question 40. Who conducted the whispering campaign in 'Voters'? Answer: Marcus Ibe of stalwarts conducts whispering campaigns in 'The Voter'. Verse 41. Roof offered initial shillings for older people for their votes in 'Voters'. (a) four (b) two (c) five Answers: (b) two.
Ouestion 42. Where did Ivi come from, according to POP campaigners, in 'The Voter'? A: According to POP campaigners in Voters', 'iyi' from Manta. Question 43. Who is the 'man's head' election symbol in 'Voters'? Answer: In 'The Voter', 'Man's head' is the electoral symbol of the Progressive Organizing
Party (POP). Question 44. What precaution did Roof take while inserting ballot paper, Roof took precautions against putting the first half in Maduka's box. Verse 45. When do Marcus's boys conduct whispering campaigns in 'The Voter'?
Answer: In 'The Voter', Marcus's boys conduct whispering campaigns at night, Question 46. How many elders were there when Roof conducted whispering campaigns in 'The Voter'? Answer: There were five elderly people next to Roof and his assistants as Roof conducted a whispering campaign in
'Voters'. II. Answer the following guestions in a paragraph from 80 to 100 words each: Question 1. Roof is a very famous man in his village. Give a reason. Answer: Roof Okeke is an energetic young man and has returned to his own village of Umuofia, after working as a bicycle repairer for two years in
Port Harcourt. It is true that he would have enjoyed a wealthy life if he had stayed in his work. But he wanted to guide them in difficult times. He then became an 'election campaign manager' for Marcus Ibe and over a period of five years became an expert in
election campaigns at all levels. He is therefore a very famous man in his village. Question 2. How did the POP advocacy group with Roof in 'Voters'. OR Describe the meeting organized by the POP advocacy group with Roof in
'Voters', Answer: In the 'Voters' story, Roof is the election campaign manager for Marcus Ibe, a candidate of the Pop campaign group visited Roof's home. He put £5 on the floor and told roof that he wanted his vote, At first, Roof didn't
know what to say or do. But, when he gets up from his chair, closes the door, and comes back, he has enough time to weigh the proposals. He aspires to make a huge amount of money, of his own. However, his conscience stabs him and he tells a weak voice that the other knows that he works for
Marcus and it would be bad for him to accept bribes, vote for Maduka and deceive his master. But when the other told him that they
were only interested in votes and not rumors, Roof's greed tempted him to accept the offer But, he was also trapped. The leader asked him on tyi', that he would vote for Maduka. Roof can't go back to his promises. So he vowed to vote for Maduka. Question 3. Description: last-minute election campaign in
Umuofia. OR Give a picture of the operation on election morning. Answer: On election day, Chief Marcus Ibe did everything in a big style. He hired a highlife band from Umuru and stationed it at such distance from the voting booth as only managed to be legal. Many villagers dance to music, their voting
papers held a high, before continuing on to the booths. Marcus sat in the 'owner's corner' of his giant green car and smiled and nodded. Some villagers came to the car, shake hands with the wonderful man, and said in advance 'Congrats!' Roof and other organizers were prancing up and down, giving last-
minute advice to voters and sweating. Roof tried to instruct illiterate women to say that our sign is motor vehicle. Then he tells them, Do not look at the other person with the man's head: it is for those who have the head is incorrect. Finally, he screams, Vote for the car and you'll ride in it! Question 4. How
is roof's dilemma put forward in 'Voters'? OR Roof's dilemma on Election Day is the result of his own misconduct. Do you agree? Give a reason. A: On election day, we see Roof in a moral dilemma. For the first time, his moral conscience stabbed him not to betray Marcus. But it was only a momentous
impulse and disappeared almost immediately when Roof recalled images of iyi and cocoa farmers harvesting his crops. He then presses on an idea that deceives both Marcus and Maduka. He folded the ballot paper, tore it in two at the fold, and dropped the first half into the box which meant for Maduka
and the other half into the box for Marcus. As such, the writer has successfully classified how 'political money' can corrupt people at all levels. It also reveals the infectious nature of an unscionable attitude as villagers who feel they have climbed iroko trees today and would be foolish not to take down all
the firewood needed blatantly demanding bribes. It was Roof who was responsible for this moral deterioratie. Roof's downfall shows profound levels of corruption and blurring ethical principles. Although Roof overcame his personal dilemma on Election Day by tearing up his ballot paper in two - one piece
for Maduka, the rival, and one for Chief Marcus Ibe, his master's actions illustrate the fundamental inrecursibility and political inicurity of those who worked for the election. The plot of this handsome story about this man who bribed voters and others bribery in turn drives home the skewed tendency of the
political landscape. Question 5. What changes has politics brought in Marcus Ibe? OR Describe how Marcus Ibe in 'The Voter' has managed to become a Politician. OR Everyone is full of praise for Marcus Ibe. What qualities and achievements have attracted people to praise him? Answer: Marcus Ibe is a
not so successful missionary school teacher. When he was almost fired on the basis of a female teacher's complaint, he got into politics, was elected representative of Umuofia, and was made Minister of Culture. People call him Minister of Culture. Over a five-year period, Marcus became very wealthy,
being awarded many titles of leader and doctor's degree and several other titles. He had a large castle built in Umuofia and opened it by the Archbishop. On the opening day, he hosted a large lunch for the people in his village slaughtering five males and countless goats.
After eating in his house, people were full of praise for him. They thought he was a great man and did his things as a great man. He also owns two large cars. Question 6. Account for roof's popularity in 'Voters'. OR Roof is a very popular man in his village. Give a reason. Answer: Rufus Okeke, known as
Roof for Short, is a very popular man in his village. His popularity was due to the fact that even after spending two years as a bicycle instructor in Port Harcourt, Roof returned to Umuofia at his own free will with the intention of guiding his people in difficult times. If he had stayed in his job, he would have
enjoyed a rich life. By this gesture, he earned the gratitude and admiration of the people. Question 7. What was the whispering campaign and how did Roof conduct it in 'Voters'? Answer: A 'whisper campaign' refers to secret meetings held between a village's elderly group and the election campaign
manager of a political party. Election managers go to such campaigns equipped with pocket money and woos the voters who provide money for votes. In 'The Voter', Roof, PAP's most trusted campaigner, conducted a whispering campaign in the home of Ogbuefi Ezenwa, a man with high traditional titles.
Initially, Roof tried to revive the pride of the people telling them that PAP had made Marcus lbe, one of their sons, minister of culture honor in the government go, and give them 2 shillings each original. But, Ezenwa denied it said the two shillings were shameful and Marcus was a great man who did his
things as a great man. Then, when Roof offered them two more shillings each, they accepted it and agreed to vote for Marcus Ibe. So Roof conducted his whispering campaign. Question 8. Why was Roof in a fix when put on his ballot paper, in 'The Voter'? Words: As soon as Roof walked into the voting
booth, he was confronted by the 'car' on one box and 'head' on the other. He took out his ballot paper from his pocket and looked on For a moment, he found himself caught up in a moral dilemma. He could not decide whether he should vote for Marcus Ibe of PAP or Maduka of POP. As election
campaign manager for Marcus Ibe, he worked enthusiastically urging people to vote for PAP. He also took a lot of money and other gifts for his service. But, now he has put himself on a fix because he accepted £5 from POP and has vowed before 'iyi' that he will vote for Maduka. So he did not want to
cheat, because his fear of 'ivi' from Mbanta troubled him seriously. On the other hand, he feels quilty for betraving Marcus Ibe. For a moment, he felt like going back to the campaign manager and returning his £5. Finally, the moment he thinks about the red notes, he envisions the cocoa farmer busy at
work and swears at him on it 'iyi'. So he folded the ballot paper, tore it into two along the crease, and put half in each box. He put the first half in Maduka's box confirming his actions verbally, 1 vote for Maduka. Question 9. Monitor Roof's behavior on polling day. A: On Election Day, Roof seemed to take it
seriously to make sure that voters knew who to vote for and how to make their choices. Along with others Roof prances up and down giving last-minute advice to voters. As soon as the first voter craze ended, Marcus guickly asked his campaign boys to go one by one and put in their ballot papers. He
asked Roof to go first. Roof's spirit fell, but he didn't let anyone see it. Roof dashes out in his springy fashion towards the booth, he faced a moral dilemma. But he overcame his moral dilemma, cutting the vote into two, and dropping two halves in the boxes, half for
Marcus and the other half for Maduka. While walking out, he looked as happy as he was when he walked in. So by putting on a happy face and walking with a lot of energy in his gait while going into the booth as well as while coming out of the booth, Roof can hide his betrayal of Marcus during the
election. III. Answer the following questions in about 200 words per word: Question 1. Do you think Roof is right in tearing the ballot paper into two? Explain. OR Do you agree or disagree with how Roof solves his dilemma about how to vote? OR In the story, Roof made a tough decision about how to vote.
Do you agree with how he solved this dilemma? Why or why not? OR Why did Roof tear the ballot paper into two? Answered: Achebe's main heart in 'Voters' is the satire of money politics and the infectious nature of corruption. Roof, the protagonist of the story, is an energetic young man of Umuofia who
returns to his village to give up a bright future in the city. People believe he came back to guide them in difficulty and so kept him in high self-esteem. The village of Umuofia belonged to the People's Alliance Party and elected HonorAble Leader Marcus Ibe as their representative in the previous election
and no one doubted him to be re-elected this time. The man behind Marcus's success is Roof. He is the manager of his election campaign and has become a true expert in election campaigns at all levels. But at the end of the story, we see that Roof is offered £5 by the leader of the election campaign fo
a POP on the condition that Roof vote for Maduka. A roof does not hesitate at all but tries to tell them that he is working for Maduka in the
witness of 'ivi'. On election day, Marcus wanted to make sure that every one of them voted for him, As a result, he asked Roof to vote first, When Roof walked into the booth, he faced a moral dilemma. His conscience told him he shouldn't betray Marcus. There is a pulse in him to run to the leader of the
POP election campaign manager and return his money. But, as he recalled that he had vowed to vote for Maduka in the presence of 'iyi', he changed his decision in a second and folded the ballot paper into two. He tore it into two innings and dropped the first half into the box which meant for Maduka and
the other half into Marcus' box. He also confirmed his vote for Maduka by saying aloud, I voted for Maduka, and then went out cheerfully. Roof's actions, tearing the ballot into two, disabled his vote. When a person tore it into two, it became clear that he had not chosen anyone at all, although he may have
put two halves of paper in different boxes. When Roof tears the ballot paper in two it is just to solve the moral dilemma he is facing and not with the intention of making his choice. If he puts two halves in two different boxes, it doesn't mean he voted in favor of both. Actually it was an invalid vote. This is
contrary to the spirit of the election and is condemned. Question 2. How does Roof conceal his betrayal of Marcus during the election Day, Roof seemed to take it seriously to make sure that voters knew who to vote for and how to make their choices. Along with others Roof
prances up and down giving last minute advice to voters and sweating. As soon as the first voter craze ended, Marcus guickly asked his campaign boys to go one by one and put in their ballot papers. He asked. Go ahead. Roof's spirit fell, but he didn't let anyone see it. Roof dashes out in his springy
fashion towards the booth. When Roof walked into the booth, he faced a moral dilemma. But he overcame his morals Cut the vote into two, and drop two halves in the box, half for Marcus and the other half for Maduka. While walking out, he looked as happy as he was when he walked in. So by putting on
a happy face and walking with a lot of energy in his gait while going into the booth as well as while coming out of the booth, Roof can hide his betrayal of Marcus during the election. Question 3. Give an account of Roof's role as an election campaigner. OR Roof is an expert election campaigner. Prove the
claim. Answer: Roof is an energetic young man of Umuofia who has returned to his village to give up a bright future in the city. It is believed that he came back to guide them in difficult times and thus kept him in high self-esteem. As we read about the election, the writer told us that the village of Umuofia
belonged to the People's Alliance Party and had elected Chief Marcus Ibe as their representative in the previous election this time. The man behind Marcus's success is Roof. Roof is his election campaign manager and has become a true expert in election campaigns at
all levels. Having seen a change in Marcus' status and wealth, Roof was able to assess people's moods and changes in people's perceptions of Marcus Ibe and had communicated to his leader that a radical change had come in them. In this way, he prepares Marcus to plan his strategy to attract voters in
the upcoming election. After eating at Marcus's house on the opening day of his new home, people realized the political good things had bathed on Marcus. They also regret to a small extent that they voted for Marcus for free in the previous election. So this time, they decided to ask for a price for their
vote. As expected, Roof, who was an expert in the election campaign, was equipped with money for his whispering campaigns, Roof used a lot of political rhetoric and told people convincingly that PAP supported the people of Umuofia. What greater honor can a village
have? Have you ever stopped to wonder why we should be scheduled for this honor? Think about the pipeline water they promised us... This way Roof manages to fascinate innocent people into ing believe that Marcus is a great man and will do great things for their village. Besides, Roof met their desire
for a portion of Marcus's income by giving them four shillings each. On election day, Marcus hired a highlife band from Umuru. He sits in a giant car and tries to impress people his wealth and superiority. He coin attractive slogans like 'Vote for the car, and you'll ride in it'. It was these strategies that Roof
planned to ensure Marcus's victory in the Election. Question 4. 'The Voter' mocks Marcus Ibe's strength and selfishness. Explain. Answer: 'Voters' highlight the kind of people who become leaders of the people, how politics bestminent wealth and power over them, and because of how such elections
become farcical. The two main characters in the story are Marcus and Roof, and the voters are the people of Umuofia. The whole focus of the plot is to mock greedy and selfish politicians and to show how they manage to corrupt society as well. Marcus was a not so successful missionary school teacher
When he was almost fired on the basis of a female teacher's complaint, he got into politics, was elected Umuofja's representative, and was made Minister of Culture. In about five years, people saw a lot of changes in Marcus's life. Their elected representatives became wealthy, awarded the titles of leader
and doctored degree among many others. He also built a large villa in his home village. In a satirical tone, the writer said that Marcus had named his new home 'Umuofia Mansions' in honor of his village and had slaughtered five males and countless goats to entertain people on the day it was opened by
the Archbishop. Marcus believes that, by entertaining people like that, people will respect him and will keep him in high self-esteem. But people are not naïve and ignorant. They know where his power and money come from. People knew that he was going to be all this only after they had elected their
representatives for their free votes five years ago. Even after five years, the people and their villages are still the same as before but Marcus that a radical change had come into Umuofia's mind since the last election, like any other corrupt politician Marcus
prepared himself to bribe people. People come prepared to ask for their share of their wealth. Instead of demanding development work for that the two shillings were too embarrassing and settled the deal for four shillings each. It was Marcus and Roof who blatantly offered
money, tacitly admitting that they used selfish public money for their own development, that voters ridiculed them by demanding more money for their votes, sending the message that real power to change the face of a village, town or country is in the hands of voters and not selfish politicians like Marcus
Question 5. 'The roof is the most reliable of whispering campaigners.' To what extent is this true in 'Voters'? OR To what extent is Roof the most trusted of whispering campaigners in 'The Voter'? Answer: As the story unfolds, we know that Marcus is looking to re- as a representative of Umuofia. Second,
we also know that it was Roof who worked for in the previous election. As a reliable whispering campaign manager of Marcus, he was able to convince the people of Umuofia that Marcus would work for the welfare of the people and that they would receive many amenities such as domestic water and
electricity. Then he worked hard to get Marcus elected and has kindled the expectations of the people. But, during his five years as a representative of the people how profitable political participation can be. He has also given gifts to Roof to retain him as his election
campaigner for the upcoming election as well. However, Roof was smart enough to sense a change in people's moods and warn Marcus about it. That's why, during the whispering campaign, he went armed with pockets of money to woo the voters. Until the last day of the campaign, Roof remained the
most loyal and trustworthy of Marcus's whispering campaigners. But, visitors from POP deftly lured Roof to his vote promise for Maduka to provide huge sums of money. It is at this point that we see a dent in his loyalty to Marcus. Although he knew that half the paper ballot was invalid as one's duty, he
tears the vote in two and puts half in each box, thus addressing the moral dilemma in his mind. In this way, he only comforts his conscience and is no longer loyal to Marcus. Question 6. Do you think 'voters' are right in asking for money to vote for Marcus Ibe? Explain. Answer: The people of Umuofia
delegated their duties to Marcus and put him elected as their representative confident that he would work for their welfare and uplifting. However, as his term resulted, they saw a significant change in Marcus's condition and wealth, while the status of the people remained the same. People realize how
politics can make a rich and powerful person. They regret that they underestimated the power of their mission, and so decided to ask a portion of their income to cast their vote. That's why, during the whispering campaign, when Roof gave each one of the two shillings, they told him that it was too
embarrassing to accept only two shillings from Marcus for their vote because Marcus was no longer a poor man and did great things like a great man. Then they agreed to cast their vote taking four shillings each. An electoral process in any democratic establishment has high in-value because it
symbolizes the duty of the people and elected representatives to become the voices of those people. Naturally, when the voters of Umuofia demanded money to vote for Marcus, it just meant that their real mission didn't give them what they needed and they were still in poverty As before. They have lost
faith in elections as a means to achieve their welfare. Previous elections may have failed but they should not be broken. That will pave the way for further deteriorating by building obstacles in the path to Development. They're not right to ask for money. Question 7. 'Voter' is a comment on voter
perceptions. Discuss. Answer: In the 'Voters' story, Chinua Achebe guips 'politicians' and tries to show that even in a democratically established election can become distant because of ignorance, illiteracy and corruption. The story also highlights deep corruption in society. Marcus Ibe, who served as a
local missionary school teacher, is now The Minister of Culture's Honours in government away. During his term as a minister, he amassed a great deal of wealth. So 'politics' brought a big change in Marcus's life and Roof as well. But, the people of Umuofia remain the same - poor, illiterate, ignorant, and
naïve - and their villages remain dry and miserable without even basic amenities. Marcus, who is seeking a second term, is certain that he will get a landslide victory because of the absence of any strong opposition party worth considering. But, this time, there is a change in people's perceptions. After
eating in Marcus's new home and noting an increase in his wealth and power, the poor people of Umuofia realized that their votes were valid. They also knew that it was 'politics' that brought wealth and power to Marcus. They struck a bargain
with Roof and agreed to sell their votes for four shillings each. In this way, the people of Umuofia pour their moral scruples and make up their minds to be satisfied with only a fraction of the thief's thieves' favor. Finally, it is this tension in the minds of the people that helps a corrupt politician like Marcus win
elections with the least resistance. Like Marcus, Roof also realized how people's elected representatives could become wealthy in a very short time. After working as his election manager, Roof extracted enough money as well as other benefits from Marcus during his first term. In his second term. Roof's
greed for wealth is kindled by a political party - por They know that it was Roof's expertise during the election campaign that woos the voters of Umuofia and Roof is amply compensated by Marcus for his efforts. Pop, with a look to make a dent in Marcus' voters, lured roof with an offer of £5 just to vote for
Maduka. Their intention was to win over Roof with the promise that he could make more money from POP than PAP. Once Roof bites the bait, they make sure he is in their clutches, by forcing him to swear on 'iyi'. Although Roof is in a dilemma, he resolves the conflict in his mind by tearing the ballot
paper into two and votes for both parties. As such, both episodes demonstrate how 'corruption' can ruin both literacy, education and unemployment, and make the democratic process ineffective and farcical. Voters, who have been empowered to elect a leader who can help them improve
their lives, use the electoral process to settle for a pittance and build obstacles in their own development path. This way they make a mockery of the electoral system. Question 8. Asking for money to vote for a particular person is not wrong. How is this launched in 'The Voter'? Answer: 'Voters', a short
story by Chinua Achebe, happens in a village called Umuofia. It's a satirical and realistic depiction of how corrupt politicians deceive people in elections and the reconciliation strategies they use to appeal to voters and overturn the power of people's duty in choosing a leader of their choice. Incidentally, the
author also seems to question the basis of social and ethical norms, people's socio-economic conditions, moral debilion, etc. The corrupt and greedy political leaders in the story are Marcus Ibe. He is the Minister of Culture of Honor in the upcoming government and is seeking re-election as a candidate of
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of his mansion, Marcus Ibe hosted a large party for the villagers to slaughter five males and countless goats. As a result, politics made him richer. On the other side, the status of the people remains the same. They live in poverty without even basic amenities such as electricity and drinking water.
Although they were watching how politics brought wealth and power to Marcus, it wasn't dawned on them that it was the power of their vote that gave him all the comforts. After the party ended, the villagers themselves claimed that they had underestimated the power of the previous ballot paper and
should not do it again. Mr. Roof's election manager is sharp enough to understand the shift in people's attitudes. So he went to the whisper campaign armed with money and successfully bought their votes paying four shillings each for the leaders. The guestion now, is, whether asking for money to vote for
a particular person is true? The author seems to argue that as long as politicians in a democratic establishment make their promises to the people and take care of their welfare, the question of buying votes does not arise at all. When politicians themselves flout all democratic and ideal indicators and work
only for their aggrandizement, there's nothing wrong with people demanding some value for theirs. This is clearly in the story. Ezenwa, who holds the highest traditional title, said Marcus was a great man and made his things as a great man. We didn't ask him for money yesterday; We're not going to ask
him tomorrow. But today is our day; we have climbed the iroko tree today and would be foolish not to go down all the firewood we need. Therefore, one can rightly conclude that asking for money to vote for a particular person is not wrong. Question 9. 'Voters' present the role of money and ridicule their
power in an election. Explain. Answer: 'Voters', a short story by Chinua Achebe, happens in a village called Umuofia. It's a satirical and realistic depiction of how corrupt politicians deceive people in elections and the reconciliation strategies they use to appeal to voters and overturn the power of people's
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Use the appropriate pre a prestor to form the opposite word: A pre-set element of a word. Add it to the beginning of a word that changes it to another word. Presctor - In-, Un-, Im-, Dis- Question 1. Certain gratitude for installing personal honor disputes properly masks legal gratitude Wavering Regard
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     (know) for everyone in Umuofia.
Perturbed Tolerance. Answer: Ingratitude is not sure to uninstall impersonal dishonour undisputed unmask illegal unwavering disregard unperturbed intolerance. Additional ExerciseS A. Passive Voice: Question 1. Roof is a young man. He
                                                       between them. Roof (for) £5 to vote for Maduka. Answer: already known; wasted; has been given. Question 2. Marcus Ibe is a PAP candidate. He
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(drawing) first. His campaign boys (arms) with small eloquent pockets. Answer: warned; has been drawn; armed. Question 3. Marcus Ibe was extremely generous to Roof. He (requested) to lend one of his many robes by roof. When Marcus Ibe's wife protested, she was publicly rebuked by
him. Roof won a land case because he (driven) by a driver to the disputed site. Answer: asked; have been rebuked; was driving. Question 4. Roof received a bizarre visit from POP campaigners. There is no
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  (exchange) between them. When visitors put £5 on the floor, Roof
(enchanted) by pictures of cocoa farmers. Answer: already known; have been exchanged; fascinated. Question 5. Marcus did everything in a big style. A high-life band from his Umuru (rented) and it
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        (station) at a distance from the voting booth. Marcus sat in his car when
minute advice (for) to voters of Roof and others. Answer: hired; stationed; has been given. Question 6. The man nudged his companion and he came up with a red cloth. It's a scary little thing. It (hold) in a pot of clay and feathers
insured; retained; already trapped. B. Report the following conversation: Question 1. Roof: I work for Marcus Ibe. POP campaigner: Do we have Work to do tonight Do you use this or not? Roof: Won't it be heard outside this room? Pop campaigner: We're after the vote, not gossip. Answer: Roof informed
POP campaigners that he was working for Marcus Ibe. POP campaigners commented that they had a lot of work to do that night. He further asked Roof if he had used it. Roof asked carefully whether it would be heard outside that room. POP campaigners said they were after the vote and not gossip.
Question 2. Roof: Don't forget. Our sign is motor vehicles. Does it look like Marcus's car? Roof: It is the same car. Don't look at the other man with the man's head. Answer: Roof begged the woman not to forget that their sign was the motor vehicle. The woman wanted to know if it was like Marcus' car.
Roof replied that it was the same car. He also asked the woman not to look at the other with the man's head. Question 3. Pop campaigner: lyi from Mbanta. Swear it. Roof: I will cast my paper for Maduka. But Maduka had no chance against Marcus. POP campaigner: Maduka gives off pounds, not
shillings. Answer: POP campaigners informed roof that iyi was from Mbanta. He asked him to swear on it. Roof told him that he would cast paper for Maduka had no chance against Marcus. In response, the pop campaigner commented that Maduka had lost weight, and not
shillings. C. Fill in the blank by selecting the appropriate expressions given in parentheses: Question 1. Marcus knew he would win but didn't want
                                                                                                                                                              a single vote. So he asked his campaign boys to go one at a time and put in their ballot papers. At this point Roof was weighed by guilt but pretended
        (to be in high spirits, to throw away, to go through) Answer: throw away; to be in high spirits. Question 2. Roof is as he swore on iyi that he would vote for Maduka. On election day, however, he wanted to hide it. So he didn't his composure and confidence. (give up, face lit up, in a
fix) Answer: in a fix; give up. Question 3. In Umuofia, everyone gave to Marcus Ibe. He doesn't like mortar but as soon as food comes his way on the ground. (look down, turn it back, full of praise) Answer: full of praise; turn your back. Question 4. It's the time of the election. The campaign in
Umuofia is . All know that the respected minister will have a . (in a soup, winning landslides, in full swing) Answer: in full swing; Landslide victory. Question 5. Roof was disturbed on the morning of the election. Suddenly a
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the booth. (jump in, take out, dissipate) Answer: jump in; dissipated. Question 6. The roof of the heart was close to when he saw iyi. Indeed, he knew Mbanta's popularity in these things. What a single vote can be in secret for Maduka
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                from Marcus's certain victory? (get a few, few out, take
away) Answer: fly out; Get out of the way. D. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate linkers: Question 1. Roof is a young and energetic man. He never left his village of
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election campaign. (moreover, but, to, so) Answer: to; but; So,; Further. Question 2. Everything was moved as planned. Roof received a bizarre visit from the leaders of the campaign group POP.
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on the floor before the roof.
                                    Roof said, his eyes never left red notes on the floor. (and, though, then, as) Answer: Then; Although; and; As. Question 3. Roof is a very famous man in his village.
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                            ____ unlike most of his compatriots today, who did not give up the village of ____ looking for any work in the town. And Roof is not a village lout ____. (who, though, either, to) Answer: Although; who; to; Or. Question 4. The roof of the heart almost flew out _
        he knew Mbanta's popularity well. he was sure that a single vote would not defeat Marcus. he agreed to swear on iyi. (so when, however, then, the House Therefore. The Voter by Chinua Achebe About the Writer: Chinua Achebe (1930-2013) is a
Nigerian novelist, poet, professor and critic. Achebe's novels focus on the traditions of Igbo society, the influence of Christian influences, and the clash of Western values and African traditions during and after the colonial period. His style relies heavily on Igbo oral traditions and combines simple narrative
with representatives of folk stories, proverbs and rhetoric. He also published several short stories, children's books and an essay collection. Some of his works are: 'Things Fall Apart', 'Arrow Of God', 'No Longer At Ease', 'Enemy Of The People' and 'Girls At War'. Voter Summary in English In this short
story, Achebe offers a satirical picture of how politics and elections often operate in modern African countries such as Nigeria. The majority of Igbo people in the village are illiterate, backward and poor. Although the town government is in the
hands of a democratic government composed of elected by the people, the people have not yet realized the value of their duties and are not yet aware of their duties and are not yet necessary hinders or prevents the re-election of the
current government. An important aspect of this election is the re-election of Marcus Ibe, the Minister of Culture in the away government. The only other party, apparently an non-physical organization until now, is POP - Progressive Organisation Party, and Maduka is its representative. POP is making a
strong effort to attract some votes in its favor. The author's focus seems to be to capture the human drama in which a poor, pathetically innocent and naïve man made a valiant attempt to grab some monetary benefits in the election from a potential candidate using the reconciliation strategies of a young
man who is illiterate of their town in when they have reposed a lot of trust. However, the crux of the plot is how this credible representation of the people manages to strike a rich bargain with the opposition party as well and remain loyal to both parties. When the story unfolds, we are introduced to Rufus
Okeke. He was a very popular man in the village. His popularity was due to the fact that unlike people of his age, Roof did not give up his village looking for work in towns. Secondly, he is also not a village lout. People like him because they believe he has given up a bright future and returned to their
village alone after spending two years as a bicycle repair instructor in Port Harcourt with the intention of guiding the villagers. In the next stage, the author tell us about the yoters and the government. We know that the entire village voted in favour of the People's Alliance Party and elected Marcus Ibe of
the honor of their village, who became Minister of Culture in the soon-to-be-leaving government. The author told us in a satirical tone that Marcus Ibe was sure to be re-elected because hardly any other opposition party was worth considering. From this situation, the reader can infer the difficult situation of
innocent people pitted against greedy and powerthirsty politicians. In a tone concealed in mild satire, the author says that Roof, the trusted representative of the people of Umuofia, has worked as election campaign manager for Minister Of Honor Marcus Ibe, who is seeking re-election from Umuofia. The
roof is smarter and smarter than the people of Umuofia. He has become a true expert in election campaigns at all levels - village, local or national government, which is why he has been able to assess the mood and temperament of voters at any given time. This time, he was smart enough to warn Marcus
Ibe that a radical change had come into the minds of people in Umuofia since the last election. So he reader's interest. The villagers have realized that for five years, politics has brought wealth, yes, Titles, Doctor's degree and other honors are easy for men they gave their votes for free five years ago. It is
also a paradox that those who have empowered a person to enjoy such benefits themselves remain poor and ignorant. They don't even know that a doctor's degree claims are not a medical doctor. Anyway, people are now ready to try the value of their votes in a different way. The author then recounts
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the expectations of the people of Umuofia. People have now witnessed the 'good' things done by politics to their own elected representative Marcus Ibe. Before he was elected, he was just a fairly successful missionary school teacher and was on the verge of being fired on the basis of a female teacher's

| Eloquent: express or show something very powerful without words from the hosts: holy bread eaten in the Christian service of the Deign Commuted: to humble yourself to do something one considers decorum indignants: behavior /appearance shows proper respect for The manners and customs of society destroyion: completely destroy Mbanta: the name of a place known to those who can prepare iyis very strongly sidled: to move uncertainly or secretly as if ready to turn and go the other way Abina pickinim de sinh?: Is he giving birth to a child? indelible: indelible signs; Perpetual Jauntily: Confident |
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