NERVOUS CONDITIONS

Question 1

As we read this novel, we can only hope that Tambu will learn from experience and win emancipation in the end, both as a woman and as a black person. Write an essay in which you discuss to what extent, in your opinion, Tambu succeeds in finding a way out of her 'nervous condition'. Your essay should examine her development as an educated young woman in relation to the other significant women in her life.

Your answer must show a detailed knowledge of the text.

Question 2

Nervous Conditions is more than merely a book about a specific time in the life of a specific African country. It is a book about youth, love and loyalty, about courage and ambition and growing up. As such it remains an important book for readers of all times, ages and places. Write an essay about this novel giving your considered opinion of this work and its value.

Your answer must show a detailed knowledge of the text.