**LIFE ORIENATION TERM 1 TASK**

**ASSESSMENT TASK PART 1(THERE ARE 2 PARTS)**

**DUE DATE: 17 February 2021**

**18 MARKS**

**EXTRACT**

**New COVID-19 variants fueling Africa’s second wave.**

Over 175 000 new COVID-19 cases and more than 6200 deaths were reported in Africa in the last week while infections rose by 50% on the continent between 29 December 2020 and 25 January 2021 when compared with the previous four weeks. In the past week, there has been a small dip in cases in South Africa, 22 countries continue to see their case number surge. Deaths rose two-fold in the same four-week period, with over 15 000 concentrated in 10 mainly southern and northern African nations.

The variant that was initially detected in the United Kingdom has been found in the Gambia and Nigeria. Further research is needed to determine whether the new strain causes more severe illness.

* 1. Explain the meaning of the following

a) Vaccine (2)

b) Second wave (2)

c) Covid-19 variant (2)

* 1. What has been your experience regarding the second wave? (4x1)
  2. There has been a several misconceptions with regards to the following;

1. Co-morbidities
2. Virus not attacking young people severely (especially adolescents)
3. People assured of death when they visit the hospital and
4. Re-infection

Explain clearly each of the above misconceptions bringing out the untruths. (4x2) (8)

**(TOTAL MARKS: 18)**