

**AN INVESTIGATION INTO FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE  
PERFORMANCE IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN MAKUYU  
DIVISION OF MURANGA COUNTY. A STUDY OF FOUR  
SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN MAKUYU DIVISION.**

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## ABSTRACT

The importance of English in Kenyans' lives need not be overemphasised. As the official language, it contributes to the development and unity of the nation. It is the global medium of communication in the information technology and it therefore enables Kenyans to interact with the community of nations.

Taking cognisance of these, Kenya's education system places a lot of importance on the study of English. However, the declining standards of English especially in secondary schools have been a matter of national concern. It is against this background that the research project was carried out.

The project aims at looking into the factors that influence the performance of English in Makuyu Division. Four schools are used for the study which uses the Survey Design.

The purposeful selection of the sample schools is on the basis of category and gender considerations. The principals, English teachers and twenty (20) randomly selected form fours (4s) from each school were used as the respondents. Questionnaires, interviews, discussions and observations lists were used for the data collection.