

**AN ASSESSMENT ON THE FACTORS INFLUENCING PERFORMANCE OF
ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN KCSE IN YATTA SUB – COUNTY, MACHAKOS COUNTY.**

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ABSTRACT

This study assessed the factors influencing the performance of secondary school students in English language in Yatta sub –county, Machakos County. This study also examined the availability of the necessary resources and the teachers' and learners' preparedness in teaching and learning English language. The researcher too was interested in establishing the attitude of high school students and stakeholders in making English an easy subject and how this impacted on the performance of English grammar among secondary school students in Yatta sub – county, Machakos County.

Simple random sampling was used for selecting the students from the target population. The researcher used a sample size of two hundred respondents. The simple sampling was used in order to give each student, teacher and parents an equal opportunity to be selected. Five form 2 students, five form three students, ten form four students, five English teachers, and five parents of learners performing poorly in English language were randomly sampled from each of five secondary schools within Yatta sub-county.

The researcher used this procedure because it has no discrimination and therefore all had equal chances of being used as the sample population so it was a fair procedure.