

Success for Life and Ministry

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## **Visit To The Library**

### **About The Library**

The name of the library I visited is Kenya Government National Library. The Library is fully owned by the Government and it has branches all over Kenya.

The library in Nakuru town where I reside is situated three kilometers from the Central Business Centre and it is easily accessible. The Library caters for all categories of people, that is, Primary Schools kids, Secondary Schools and institutes of higher learning. The general community has access to the library where they visit to read and even catch up with local and world news.

### **My Observations**

I visited the library in March 2020, just before the Covid-19 pandemic. The library is now not accessible because of the pandemic. I observed that the library is very well organized. When one gets to the reception area, one is expected to pay a one off Ksh.20/=, which is equivalent to \$0.2 making the services almost free. The library issues a card that allows a person to access library facilities, which card is surrendered when leaving the library.

The library is well stocked and provides facilities that make the visitors comfortable. They offer internet facilities and the library is well furnished with tables where one can sit and do their research. The Library borrowing system is very well organized and fully digital and the process of identifying books is also digitalized making it very easy to access information.

In case one requires help, the staff is very helpful in assisting. The Library, further, offers motivational programs for Primary and secondary students. The day I visited, there were students from two secondary schools that were having a motivational session. This is very important to the children since life skills are instilled in them by people different from their teachers or parents.

The library is very useful to all learners and especially those students who may find it difficult to buy their own books because of the high cost of books.