WOLE SOYINKA

Wole Soyinka, who was born in 1934, is a Nigerian writer, poet and playwright. Many (1) ____ him as Africa´s most (2) ____ playwright. He won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1986, the first African writer to win this honour. Soyinka has played an active role in Nigeria´s (3) ____ history. In 1967, during the Civil War in Nigeria, he was arrested by the Federal Government and put in solitary (4) _____ for attempting to bróker a peace between the warring parties. While in prison he wrote (5) ____ which was published in a collection. He was released two years later after international attention was drawn to his (6) ____. His experiences in prison are recounted in a book. He is an outspoken (7) _____ of many Nigerian administrations, and of political tyrannies worldwide, including the Mugabe regime in Zimbabwe. Much of his (8) ____ has been concerned with "the (9) ___ boot and the irrelevance of the color of the foot that wears it".

1. a) consider **b)** regard **c)** think **d)** believe

2. a) distinguish **b)** distinguishable **c)** distinguished **d)** distinguishing

3. a) politic **b)** politician **c)** politically **d)** political

4. a) confinement **b)** confine **c)** confining **d)** configuration

5. a) poet **b)** poem **c)** poems **d)** poetry

6. a) in prison **b)** imprisonment **c)** jailer **d)** prisoner

7. a) criticise **b)** critisism **c)** critic **d)** criticising

8. a) writings **b)** writer **c)** wright **d)** writing

9. a) oppress **b)** oppressive **c)** oppression **d)** oppresser

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