Animal Farm Test: Chapters 1-5

1. What was the motivation for the rebellion? They were tired of being used by humans and getting nothing in return. The night Jones didn’t feed them, he came out and started beating them. This got the animals to rebel at that moment.

2. Why were the pigs accepted as the leaders so quickly? They were the smartest and learned how to read and write.

3. Whose idea was it to rebel because of a dream he/she had? Old Major

4. What is the name of the song that was learned the night of the first meeting? Beasts of England

5. Who did Mollie represent in the Russian Revolution? What characteristics did they share? She was symbolic of the vain and selfish people.

6. Were the animals very literate? How and why was literacy important? They didn’t really catch on to reading and writing. Only the pigs knew how to read and write. Some only knew a few letters while others may have known all the letters but not in order.

7. When the milk goes missing, the animals find out it goes to the pigs’ mash. How does Squealer explain that it is okay and benefits everyone? He says since they do all the brain work, they need to keep their brains healthy by making sure they eat and are nourished. Then he tells them they can share but do they want Mr. Jones to come back because the pigs weren’t healthy enough to keep him away?

8. What maxim was adopted by all the animals? Four legs good, two legs bad.

9. Who is spreading the word about Animal Farm to the neighboring farms? The pigeons

10. What was the cause of the Battle of the Cowshed? Mr. Jones comes back with some other farmers to try and take back the farm.

11. What was Mollie seen doing wrong? Where did she go? She was letting a neighboring farmhand pet her. Later, they say she was seen working in town by pulling carriages and was wearing ribbons.

12. What building plan did Snowball propose while Napoleon opposed it? Snowball wanted to build a windmill.

13. Who chased Snowball off the farm? Where did they come from? The dogs chased him. They were the pups that Napoleon took away from Jesse.

Multiple Choice
14. After studying an old book of Julius Caesar’s campaigns, ________ took charge of
the defensive operations against Jones and his men.

15. During discussions at their meetings, the animals usually agreed with ________.
   a. Boxer  b. Clover  c. Snowball  d. Napoleon  e. whomever was speaking

16. Immediately after the Rebellion, it was discovered the pigs had ________.
   a. stolen several guns  b. learned to read/write  c. learned to walk on 2 legs

17. Benjamin represents a human being who ________.
   a. never pitches in to do the job  b. is extremely cynical about everything  c. is lazy

18. Often the problem with dictatorship, as shown by the pigs, is that ________.
   a. the dictator becomes more and more thirsty for power  
   b. government for the people, by the people and of the people has never really worked  
   c. capitalism has only one class of people  
   d. the common worker becomes dissatisfied with the members of the proletariat

19. Napoleon gave the orders, but Squealer was the one who ________.
   a. cleaned the barn  b. had to rationalize the orders to the animals  c. drank all the milk  d. ran Snowball off the farm

20. One of Mollie’s characteristics is ________.
   a. hard worker  b. vain/selfish  c. a leader  d. none of the above

21. Who is the loyal hard worker amongst the animals?

22. What happened to the milk that disappeared?
   a. it was awarded to Boxer  b. it was put in the pigs’ mash  c. the dogs drank it

23. Who’s skull did the animals pay reverence to at the meetings?
   a. Napoleon  b. Snowball  c. Muriel  d. Old Major

True or False

24. Boxer got up earlier than the rest to work harder and longer.  T  F
25. Muriel was seen being petted by one of Pilkington’s men.  T  F
26. Old Major was the older pig who had the idea for the Rebellion.  T  F
27. Moses the owl preached about Sugarcandy Mountain.  T  F
28. Napoleon took the nine puppies to reeducate them.  T  F
T  F  29. Clover was lazy, selfish and vain.
T  F  30. The cat fought bravely in the Battle of the Cowshed.
T  F  31. The geese couldn’t fight in the Battle of the Cowshed.
T  F  32. Snowball and Napoleon agreed on everything they discussed.
T  F  33. The building of the windmill was Benjamin’s idea.
T  F  34. The dogs ran Snowball off the farm forever.

Matching: You can use the words more than once or not at all.

35. Had the idea for the windmill ___K____  a. Squealer
36. Hid sugar cubes and ribbons ___G____  b. Pilkington
37. Said “I will work harder” ___D____  c. Pigeons
38. Nine guard dogs ___J____  d. Boxer
39. Represents pessimistic and cynical people of Russia ___I____  e. Muriel
41. Had dogs run Snowball off the farm ___H____  g. Mollie
42. Represents the propaganda ___A____  h. Napoleon
43. Said “Death to all humans” ___H____  i. Benjamin
44. Took the milk ___O____  j. KGB (secret police)
45. Czar Nicholas II ___M____  k. Snowball
46. Loyal, hard working ___D____  l. Moses
47. Had puppies taken from her ___N____  m. Mr. Jones
48. Neighboring farmer ___B____  n. Jessie
49. Told animals that Mr. Jones was coming back ___A____  o. The pigs
50. p. Minimus
50. Song of Animal Farm  

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q. Clover