Week 1 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. "The boy with *fair* hair lowered himself down the last few feet of rock and began to pick his way toward the lagoon.."

   In the passage above, the word *fair* most closely means

   A. blond.
   B. carnival-like.
   C. good.
   D. just.

2. Jack is in charge of a choir, which the boys decide will be the island's

   A. chefs.
   B. entertainment.
   C. hunters.
   D. soldiers.

3. Place the following events in chronological order (in the order they happen in the novel):

   1. Ralph and Piggy meet on the island.
   2. The boys elect Ralph as their leader.
   3. The boys start to build shelters.
   4. The boys use Piggy's glasses to start a fire.

   A. 1, 2, 3, 4
   B. 1, 2, 4, 3
   C. 2, 1, 4, 3
   D. 4, 3, 2, 1

4. Ralph thinks the most important goal for the boys should be

   A. to build a big fire so someone finds and rescues them.
   B. to build shelters so that they can have a proper town.
   C. to figure out what kind of government they want; they're going to be there a long time.
   D. to train to protect themselves from the inevitable invading army.

5. Responsibility Requires _____

   A. Action.
   B. Courage.
   C. Effort.
   D. Integrity.

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6. Simon leaves Ralph's group to

    A. explore the island on his own.
    B. live alone so he doesn't have to listen to Ralph and Jack argue.
    C. start a bigger fire and get the group rescued.
    D. start his own tribe of lost boys.

7. The boys end up on the island as a result of

    A. a boat crash.
    B. a kids only season of *Survivor*.
    C. a Nazi experiment.
    D. a plane crash.

8. The setting of the novel *Lord of the Flies* is

    A. a coral island during World War II.
    B. a coral island in 2009.
    C. an abandoned planet sometime in the future.
    D. the abandoned set of the TV show *Lost*.

9. The word *abyss* in the passage "Only when Jack himself roused a gaudy bird from a primitive nest of sticks was the silence shattered and echoes set ringing by a harsh cry that seemed to come out of the *abyss* of ages.," most closely means

    A. bottomless space.
    B. emptiness.
    C. festering wound.
    D. historical knowledge.

10 Throughout the novel, the conch shell is used to

    A. show which boy is allowed to speak.
    B. carry water.
    C. catch small fish and shrimp for food.
    D. kill wild animals.

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Week 2 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. "Because the rules are the only thing we've got!"

   The above is said by Piggy in the assembly. As illustrated by this quote, Piggy represents

   A. civilization.
   B. fascism.
   C. oppression.
   D. parents.

2. In the sentence "In his other life Maurice had received *chastisement* for filling a younger eye with sand," the word *chastisement* most closely means

   A. a beating.
   B. a prison sentence.
   C. praise and worship.
   D. scolding or punishment.

3. Piggy grabbed and put on the glasses. He looked *malevolently* at Jack.
   "I got to have them specs. Now I only got one eye. Jus' you wait—"

   In the passage above, the best antonym for the word *malevolently* would be

   A. angrily.
   B. evilly.
   C. kindly.
   D. sadly.

4. Place the following events in chronological order:

   1. A man with a parachute lands on the island in the middle of the night.
   2. Jack catches and kills a pig.
   3. Piggy's glasses are broken.
   4. The boys spot a ship, but their signal fire has gone out.

   A. 1, 2, 3, 4
   B. 2, 4, 3, 1
   C. 3, 4, 2, 1
   D. 4, 2, 3, 1

5. Sam and Eric report they've seen the beast, but what they've really seen is

   A. a beached whale.
   B. a dead body attached to a parachute.
   C. a giant pig that was running through the woods.
   D. an illusion created in the morning fog.

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6. The author of *Lord of the Flies* is

   A. Francisco Jimenez.
   B. Gary Soto.
   C. S. E. Hinton
   D. William Golding.

7. The younger boys on the island are afraid of

   A. a bomb falling from a plane.
   B. a mysterious beast.
   C. a Nazi spy.
   D. Jack and his hunters.

8. When Jack and the boys leave the meeting early, Ralph chooses not to blow the conch because

   A. he is afraid no one will come back.
   B. he is tired, and decides they will all think better in daylight.
   C. Jack has taken the conch with him.
   D. Piggy begs him not to.

9. When Ralph wants to quit being chief, he is convinced not to give up by

   A. Sam and Eric.
   B. Piggy and Simon.
   C. Jack and the hunters.
   D. his father, in a dream.

10. When Sam and Eric report sighting the beast, the boys decide to

   A. build a fort to protect the little ones from the beast.
   B. light the entire island on fire so that the beast will go away.
   C. send a group out to hunt and kill the beast.
   D. stay by the lagoon, where they'll be safe.

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Week 3 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. "A *taboo* was evolving round that word too."

   In the sentence above, the word *taboo* most closely means

   A. fear.
   B. satellite.
   C. something forbidden.
   D. tattoo.

2. According to Simon's Lord of the Flies, the real Beast is

   A. a giant wild boar.
   B. inside of all the boys.
   C. Jack.
   D. Simon.

3. In the sentence "*Mutinously*, the boys fell silent or muttering," the word *mutinously* most closely means

   A. ashamedly.
   B. quietly.
   C. rebelliously.
   D. suddenly.

4. Jack and his group raid Ralph's camp because

   A. they need fire with which to cook their meat.
   B. they need more workers, and steal the little ones to make slaves.
   C. they think it will be fun to scare their old friends.
   D. they want the conch.

5. Jack calls a meeting, the result of which is

   A. the boys all decide to leave the beast alone, unless it attacks them.
   B. the boys all decide to stop hunting pigs and become vegetarians.
   C. the boys vote to make him chief instead of Ralph, and Ralph leaves the group.
   D. the boys won't vote to make him chief over Ralph, and Jack leaves the group.

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6. Jack wants to move to the Castle because it will make a good fort; Ralph thinks it is a poor living location because

   A. he didn't think of it first.
   B. the Beast lives somewhere nearby.
   C. there is no food or water there.
   D. you can't see the ocean to spot ships from that location.

7. Place the following events in chronological order:

   1. Jack tries to get the boys to vote Ralph out of the group.
   2. Ralph and Jack explore the castle area.
   3. Simon starts to talk to the Lord of the Flies.
   4. Simon volunteers to go back and tell Piggy that their search is continuing.
   5. The boys decide to build a fire on the beach, so they won't have to go near the Beast on the mountain.

   A. 1, 4, 3, 2, 5
   B. 2, 1, 5, 4, 3
   C. 2, 4, 1, 5, 3
   D. 4, 2, 1, 3, 5

8. Simon is killed by

   A. a terrible fall from the mountain.
   B. drowning in the ocean.
   C. the boys.
   D. the Beast.

9. The group gets out of control and attack one of their own when they are pretending that Robert is

   A. a Nazi enemy trying to steal their food.
   B. a pig they are trying to hunt and kill.
   C. Piggy, who none of them like.
   D. the Beast.

10. The thing Simon talks to as the Lord of the Flies is

   A. a pig's head on a stick.
   B. the dead man with the parachute.
   C. only in his imagination.
   D. a rock painting done by ancient people.

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Final Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. "He ceased to work at his tooth and sat still, *assimilating* the possibilities of irresponsible authority."

   In the above, the word *assimilating* most closely means

   A. arguing about.
   B. deciding.
   C. ignoring.
   D. thinking seriously about.

2. "Because the rules are the only thing we've got!"

   The above is said by Piggy in the assembly. As illustrated by this quote, Piggy represents

   A. civilization.
   B. fascism.
   C. oppression.
   D. parents.

3. According to Simon's Lord of the Flies, the real Beast is

   A. a giant wild boar.
   B. inside of all the boys.
   C. Jack.
   D. Simon.

4. At the end of the novel, the boys are

   A. a united tribe, after they've killed their enemies.
   B. killed in the wildfire that Jack started.
   C. rescued by naval officers.
   D. starved to death, because Jack burned all the fruit trees.

5. In the sentence, "In the middle was a blob of dark and the savage wrinkled up his face, trying to *decipher* the darkness," the word decipher most closely means

   A. brighten.
   B. decimal.
   C. defeat.
   D. figure out.

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   D. they want the conch.

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   A. chefs.
   B. entertainment.
   C. hunters.
   D. soldiers.

8. Jack sets the island on fire

   A. by accident; he tries desperately to put it out.
   B. to attract the attention of a passing ship.
   C. to force Ralph out into the open.
   D. to roast the pigs so they won't have to hunt them.

9. Jack wants to move to the Castle because it will make a good fort; Ralph thinks it is a poor living location because

   A. he didn't think of it first.
   B. the Beast lives somewhere nearby.
   C. there is no food or water there.
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10. Piggy and Ralph go to see Jack because

   A. they are craving some real meat.
   B. they need to retrieve Piggy's stolen glasses.
   C. they want to apologize for thinking mean things about him.
   D. they want to join his tribe.

11. Piggy dies when

   A. he falls off a cliff because he can't see without his glasses.
   B. Jack attacks him with a spear.
   C. Roger rolls a boulder down the hill toward him.
   D. the boys' yelling causes a surprise landslide.

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12. Place the following events in chronological order:

    1. A ship arrives to rescue the boys.
    2. Jack and his tribe hunt Ralph.
    3. Ralph becomes the leader of the group.
    4. Simon and Piggy are killed.
    5. The boys are stranded on a deserted island.

    A. 5, 1, 2, 3, 4
    B. 5, 2, 4, 3, 1
    C. 5, 3, 4, 2, 1
    D. 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

13. Ralph cries at the end of the book for

    A. "the end of innocence."
    B. "the darkness of man's heart."
    C. "the fall through the air of the true, wise friend called Piggy."
    D. all of the above

14. Ralph thinks the most important goal for the boys should be

    A. to build a big fire so someone finds and rescues them.
    B. to build shelters so that they can have a proper town.
    C. to figure out what kind of government they want; they're going to be there a long time.
    D. to train to protect themselves from the inevitable invading army.

15. Responsibility Requires _____

    A. Integrity.
    B. Effort.
    C. Courage.
    D. Action.

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    A. an illusion created in the morning fog.
    B. a giant pig that was running through the woods.
    C. a dead body attached to a parachute.
    D. a beached whale.

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17. Sam and Eric warn Ralph that

    A. Jack is going to hunt and kill him the next day.
    B. Jack is going to put out all the fires on the island, so they never get rescued.
    C. Jack plans to accuse him of killing Piggy and Simon when they are rescued.
    D. the island is sinking into the ocean, so Jack is building a secret boat to escape.

18. Simon is killed by

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    A. William Golding.
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20. The best word to describe the feelings of the officer who finds the boys is

    A. angry.
    B. annoyed.
    C. embarrassed.
    D. kind.

21. The boys end up on the island as a result of

    A. a plane crash.
    B. a Nazi experiment.
    C. a kids only season of *Survivor*.
    D. a boat crash.

22. The setting of the novel *Lord of the Flies* is

    A. the abandoned set of the TV show *Lost*.
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    D. built a fort to protect the little ones from the beast.

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Answer Keys

Week 1 Assessment

1. A
2. C
3. B
4. A
5. A
6. A
7. D
8. A
9. A
10. A

Week 2 Assessment

1. A
2. D
3. C
4. D
5. B
6. D
7. B
8. A
9. B
10. C

Week 3 Assessment

1. C
2. B
3. C
4. A
5. D
6. C
7. C
8. C
9. B
10. A

Final Assessment

1. D
2. A
3. B
4. C
5. D
6. A
7. C
8. C
9. C
10. B
11. C
12. C
13. D
14. A
15. D
16. C
17. A
18. A
19. A
20. C
21. A
22. D
23. D
24. C
25. B

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