**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

**Semester VI, Paper 12 B (ENG/VI/CC/12 B)**

**Commonwealth Literature (Option B)**

**UNIT-I: A BEND IN THE RIVER- V.S.NAIPAUL**

1. **Multiple Choice Questions:**
2. In the novel, *A Bend in the River*, Salim starts an affair with the wife of Raymond named
3. Yvette
4. Georgina
5. Zabeth
6. Shoba
7. Salim, starts narrating a story in the interior of an unnamed African country of what river?
8. The bend of the long river
9. The bend of the dead river
10. The bend of the great river
11. The bend of the black river
12. When Salim finds out that Raymond was the ‘Big man’s white man’ why was he thrilled?
13. Because Salim thinks that Raymond could help him
14. Because Salim wants to be closer to Raymond’s wife
15. Because Salim thinks Raymond could take him away
16. Because Salim thinks Raymond to be the highest power in the land
17. What does the river symbolise in *The Bend in the River*
18. Lifeline of the people
19. A connection between the past and present
20. The drinking water shared by the people
21. None of the above
22. Who is the ‘big man’ in the novel, *A Bend in the River?*
23. Raymond
24. Nazruddin
25. The President
26. Théotime
27. Why does Salim feel sorry for the president after returning from Europe
28. The President was attacked by the media in Europe
29. He knows the future he has seen in Europe could not compare to the President’s promise for Africa
30. Salim likes the President and does not want to see him suffer
31. The President was not as good a leader as the one in Europe.
32. Salim travels to London to visit
33. Nazruddin
34. Winterbottom
35. Soraya
36. Ezeulu
37. What is the name of the British Colonial policy Winterbottom is tasked with enforcing?
    1. Direct Rule
    2. Development
    3. Indirect Rule
    4. Protectorship
38. ‘A Bend in the River’ was published in

a) 1979

b) 1980

c) 1981

d) 1982

10. Salim has a love affair with a women named

a) Annie.

b) Yvette

c) Florence

d) Isabella

11. ‘A Bend in the River’ is set in post-colonial

a) Europe

b) America

c) Africa

d) None of the above

12. “The New Domain” covers several years during which the country is in a period of

a) Economic prosperity

b) Social prosperity

c) Political prosperity

d) Religious prosperity

13. Salim is both the protagonist and the first-person

a) Business-man

b) Hero

c) President

d) Narrator

14. Salim gets involved in the illegal smuggling of

a) Ivory and gold

b) Gold and silver

c) Gold and copper

d) Ivory and copper

15. What ethnicity was Soraya?

a) Muslim

b) Afrikaner

c) Dutch

d) British

16. What was wrong with Mahesh's engraving machine that makes signs?

a) The machine was too complicated for him to operate.

b) It was impossible to assemble.

c) He could not get the raw materials to make the signs.

d) No one needed signs.

17. What is Indar's moment of insight?

a) He understands that he was meant to write the African story.

b) He realizes he must return to his roots to be happy.

c) He knows without a doubt that he belongs to himself alone and would surrender his manhood to nobody.

d) He sees he has not marketed himself correctly.

18. How does the purser on the steamer show that he does not respect the President in *A Bend in the River*?

a) He speaks French which the President has banned.

b) He sneers every time the President is mentioned.

c) He puts a cloth over the President's portrait.

d) He sits down when the national anthem is played.

19. What confidence does Indar impart to Salim?

a) The Domain is about to become an officer training school for the army.

b) The Domain is going to close for lack of funds.

c) The President is going to replace Raymond at the Domain.

d) The President is going his own way and no longer needs Raymond's help.

20. Why does Salim think Yvette married the much older Raymond?

a) She must have had an unhappy homelife.

b) She must have been very lonely.

c) She must have thought he was extraordinary.

d) She must have thought he would be rich.

21. Who is the surprise visitor to Salim's store?

a) Zabeth's husband

b) The President

c) Indar

d) Salim's brother

22. What amazes Salim about Raymond?

a) He does not seem to love Yvette.

b) He has no ambition to leave the country.

c) He works on plans to overthrow the President.

d) His position with the President is shaky but he remains loyal.

23. What does the President in *A Bend in the River* do at a ruined suburb?

a) He builds a large complex.

b) He builds a shoe factory.

c) He builds a new barracks for his army.

d) He levels it and makes a park.

24. Why does Metty inform on Salim's black market activities?

a) Because Salim refused him money to leave the town

b) Because Salim takes Theo's side againt him

c) Because Metty has always hated Salim

d) Because Salim did not bring back presents from Europe

25. What do the townspeople in *A Bend in the River* speculate about the new complex?

a) That it will be a munitions factory.

b) That it will be a model farm and agriculture school.

c) That it will be a large hospital.

d) That it will be the President's winter palace.

26. Why was Indar turned down at the Indian High Commission?

a) He is not a Hindu.

b) He does not speak Hindi.

c) He is too young.

d) He is not a citizen of India.

27. What has become of Kareisha, Nazruddin's daughter whom Salim feared he might have to marry?

a) Kareisha has left the family and moved to America.

b) Kareisha is married to a British man and has four children.

c) Kareisha has gone to India and will marry a doctor.

d) Kareisha, Nazruddin's daughter, has become a pharmacist.

28. What is the difference between Salim and Indar as they walk to the river after the party?

a) Indar sees the beauty of the place while Salim sees only garbage.

b) Salim is confused, but Indar is sure of himself.

c) Indar wants to meditate but Salim wants to talk.

d) Salim is exhilarated by the evening but Indar is edgy.

29. What does Shoba do when she returns?

a) She announces that she is pregnant.

b) She goes into isolation.

c) She opens a beauty salon.

d) She refuses to speak to Mahesh.

30. What does Indar mean when he tells Salim he's where it's at?

a) Where everything will come to an end.

b) Where these is the peace of obscurity.

c) Where big things are happening.

d) Where the new revolution will start.

31. Why is Salim released from detention to fly back to his home?

a) His papers are all in order.

b) He will be interrogated when he gets back to the town.

c) Ferdinand comes to his rescue.

d) The official keeping Salim has held up the flight and gets reprimanded.

32. Reading some of Raymond's articles, what does Salim conclude?

a) That Raymond will win the Nobel Prize for literature

b) That Raymond's book will be a best seller

c) That Raymond is a genius as a writer

d) That Raymond had never visited the places he wrote about

33. What word does Indar say kept his spirits high when he first arrived in London?

a) "University" seemed like a magic word, and Indar thought a magic life awaited him.

b) "Opportunity" was Indar's magic word in London.

c) "Education" was the word that meant the most to him.

d) "Career" was the magic word that drove him to study hard.

34. In the light of day, how does Salim see Yvette's and Raymond's house?

a) It is much more lavish than he remembered it.

b) It is different in the sunlight; everything seems faded and worn.

c) The furniture has all been removed.

d) The carpet has holes worn in it.

35. What is Indar doing in the town?

a) He is just passing through.

b) He has decided to follow Salim's example.

c) He is taking over the lycee.

d) He is a guest lecturer at the Domain.

36. What has happened to the European statues in the Capital city in *A Bend in the River?*

a) They have been polished to look good.

b) They have all been moved to the President's palace.

c) They have been melted down for the copper.

d) They have been replaced with statues of African tribesmen.

37. What is the significance of Ferdinand's question about religion?

a) It shows that politics and religion will always be at odds.

b) It shows that young Africans are looking for a way out of their old religions.

c) It shows some of the struggle of socializing men with tribal roots into citizens of a modern state.

d) It shows that Ferdinand is thinking of becoming a magician like Zabeth.

38. What surprising action does the President take for the town in *A Bend in the River*?

a) He waives taxes for the town.

b) He is disbanding the Youth Guard in Salim's area.

c) He plans to completely renovate the town.

d) He declares martial law in the town.

39. Why is Salim jailed?

a) Because he cannot pay the $4000 fine.

b) Because he defamed the President

c) Because he beat up Metty

d) Because he refused to work for Theo

40. Why do people like to go to the Bigburger in *A Bend in the River*?

a) Mahesh has young girls working there.

b) They develop a taste for French fried potatoes.

c) To get inside an air conditioned building where they do not smell the garbage.

d) There is no place else to go.

**KEY:**

1. A
2. C
3. D
4. B
5. C
6. B
7. A
8. C
9. A
10. B
11. C
12. A
13. B
14. A
15. A
16. C
17. A
18. D
19. C
20. C
21. D
22. A
23. A
24. B
25. D
26. D
27. D
28. B
29. C
30. D
31. D
32. A
33. B
34. D
35. D
36. C
37. B
38. B
39. C
40. C
41. **Fill in the Blanks:**
42. Salim had purchased his shop from a friend named, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
43. In the peace that follows the uprising, there were new businesses and government have come to town and Salim says, ‘Now we were in the period of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.’
44. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ works for Salim in the shop.
45. Salim travels to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to visit Nazruddin.
46. Salim was released from \_\_\_\_\_ because the official detaining him was reprimanded for holding up the line.
47. The purser on the steamer show his disdain for the President by speaking \_\_\_\_\_, which the President has banned.
48. The President in *A Bend in the River* builds a large \_\_\_\_ in a ruined suburb.
49. \_\_\_\_\_\_ informs the authorities on Salim’s black market activities.
50. \_\_\_\_\_ remains loyal to the President in *A Bend in the River* despite his shaky position.
51. Indar’s spirit was kept up when he thought about the word \_\_\_\_ because he believed a magic life awaited him.
52. Indar is a guest lecturer at the \_\_\_\_\_
53. Kareisha, Nazruddin’s daughter became a \_\_\_\_\_
54. Salim was jailed because he was unable to pay the fine of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars.
55. *A Bend in the River* is written by \_\_\_\_\_
56. Salim has an affair with \_\_\_\_\_, Raymond’s wife.
57. The President in *A Bend in the River* is often known as \_\_\_\_\_\_
58. Salim has a love affair with a woman named \_\_\_\_\_
59. Soraya’s ethnicity is \_\_\_\_\_
60. The ‘Big Man’ in the novel *A Bend in the River* is \_\_\_\_\_
61. Salim was jailed for beating up \_\_\_\_\_\_

**KEY:**

1. Nazruddin
2. Boom
3. Metty
4. London
5. Detention
6. French
7. Complex
8. Metty
9. Raymond
10. University
11. Domain
12. Pharmacist
13. 4000
14. V.S. Naipaul
15. Yvette
16. The Big Man
17. Yvette
18. Muslim
19. The President
20. Metty

**UNIT- II: ARROW OF GOD- CHINUA ACHEBE**

1. **Multiple Choice Questions:**
   * + 1. *Arrow of God* portrays the conflict between what?
2. Traditional culture and colonial presence
3. The ethnic groups in Nigeria
4. God and Evil
5. Ezeulu and Nwaka
6. Which one of Ezeulu’s son became attracted to the religion of Christianity and the evangelical teachings of John Goodcountry?
7. Edogo
8. Obika
9. Oduche
10. Nwafo
11. What is the name of the British Colonial policy Winterbottom is tasked with enforcing in *Arrow of God*
12. Direct Rule
13. Development
14. Protectorship
15. Indirect Rule
16. What is done to the Chief Priest after his death?
17. He is mummified
18. He is decapitated and his head put in the sacred compound
19. He is burnt in front of all Umuaro
20. He is buried by his oldest son
21. Why is Ezeulu convinced that Umuaro has no rightful claim in the land dispute with Okpri?
22. Because his mother told him the land originally belonged to Okperi
23. Because he is from Okperi and knows the land belongs to them
24. Because his father told him the land originally belonged to Okperi
25. Because he sold Okperi the land
26. What is the symbol that signifies peace in *Arrow of God*
27. Palm wine
28. White clay
29. Kolanut
30. Python
31. What sacred animal is imprisoned by Oduche in Arrow of God?
32. A rattlesnake
33. A python
34. A tiger
35. Anaconda
36. What ceremony marks the start of harvest in Arrow of God?
37. Festival of the Pumpkin Leaves
38. New Moon Feast
39. New Yam Feast
40. Festival of Palms
41. What does Akukalia do that leads to war with Okperi?
42. He flirts with Ebo’s wife
43. He refused to eat a Kolanut offered to him
44. He gives the people of Okperi a Palm Frond
45. He destroys Ebo’sIkenga
46. What is the name of the church catechist in Arrow of God?
    1. Moses Goodcountry
    2. John Clark
    3. John Goodcountry
    4. John Wildcountry
47. Who agreed to go with Ezeulu at Okperi?
    1. Nwaka
    2. OkekeOnenyi
    3. Nwabueze
    4. Nwafo
48. Okeke is Ezuele’s \_\_\_\_

a) second son, a servant in the white compound

b) Half-brother, a medicine man

c) half-brother, a convert to the white man’s religion

d) father, a mask-carver

1. What traditional, ritual circumstance prevents Ezeulu from giving Umuaro permission to harvest the yam crop?

a) Obika’s death renders the yam harvest impure, and therefore not to be eaten.

b) He has not eaten the ritual yams left over from the last harvest.

c) Obika ate the ritual yams left over from the last harvest instead of him.

d) He ate the ritual yams left over from the last harvest too quickly.

1. What are the differences between how Ezeulu and Obika are treated by Tony Clarke, and how they are treated by John Nwodika?

a) Clarke treats Ezeulu and Obika as guests: Nwodika treats them as prisoners.

b) Clarke treats Ezeulu and Obika as ambassadors: Nwodika treats them as invaders.

c) Clarke treats Ezeulu and Obika as slaves: Nwodika treats them as conquerors.

d) Clarke treats Ezeulu and Obika as prisoners: Nwodika treats them as guests.

1. What is Ezeulu’s response to Winterbottom’s order that he visit the British compound?

a) He agrees with Akuebue’s idea to send Oduche in his place.

b) He says he will be happy to go.

c) He says the British can come to him.

d) He decides to send Akuebue in his place.

1. What is the cause of Obika’s death?

a) He dies after drinking too much and over-exerting himself sexually with his wife.

b) He dies after drinking too much and over-exerting himself in a ritual.

c) He dies after an argument with Ezeulu and over-exerting himself in a ritual.

d) He dies after an argument with Edogo and over-exerting himself while hunting.

1. Which character maintains his friendship with Ezeulu in spite of Ezeulu’s apparent stubbornness?

a) Abueke.

b) Winterbottom.

c) Goodcountry.

d) Unachukwu.

1. What new responsibility does Winterbottom decide to give Ezeulu?

a) Winterbottom decides to make Ezeulu Tony Clarke’s personal servant.

b) Winterbottom decides to make Ezeulu an assistant to John Wright

c) Winterbottom decides to make Ezeulu his personal servant.

d) Winterbottom decides to make Ezeulu a warrant chief

1. How did Ulu come to be the chief god of Umuaro?

a) When Umuaro’s six villages united into one community, Ulu himself came into being.

b) When Ezeulu’s father became high priest of Umuaro, he decreed that the namesake child of the goddess Ulu was to be the chief god of the community.

c) When Umuaro’s six villages united into one community, Ulu won a battle of several gods to claim Umuaro as his territory.

d) When Ezeulu became high priest of Umuaro, he decreed that Ulu was to be the community’s chief god.

1. Which character is “visited” by the voice of the god Ulu?

a) Akuebue.

b) Ezeulu.

c) Oduche.

d) Obika.

1. What is the primary factor in Clarke’s decision to release Ezeulu?

a) Orders from Winterbottom that there are to be no more “Warrant Chiefs”.

b) Orders from higher up that there are to be no more “Warrant Chiefs”.

c) They have found someone else to be the area’s Warrant Chief.

d) His realization that the Warrant Chief program is morally wrong, and that no-one should try to control, or dictate to, the Africans.

1. Who is Okuata?

a) Akuebue’s bride.

b) Obika’s bride.

c) Ezeulu’s daughter.

d) Obika’s mother. 12 gone

1. What action of John Wright’s triggers conflict within the African workers on the road construction project?

a) He refuses to give the African workers as much of a raise as he gives the white workers.

b) He whips Obika.

c) He interrupts a prayer meeting.

d) He whips Moses Unachukwu.

1. Who accompanies Ezeulu on his return to Umuaro?

a) John Nwodika.

b) Tony Clarke.

c) Edogo.

d) Moses Unachukwu.

1. What is unusual about the roadside sacrifice discovered by Clarke and his assistant?

a) It contains a Bible.

b) It contains a piece of African gold.

c) It contains a British military uniform.

d) It contains a British coin.

1. Which character offers comfort and support to Ezeulu after he has been imprisoned by Tony Clarke?

a) John Wright.

b) Captain Winterbottom.

c) Unuchukwu.

d) John Nowodika.

1. Who is Wintabota?

a) Winterbottom, the head of the white colonial government

b) An ambassador from the white colonial government to Umuaro: Wintabota is the sacred name given to him by Ezeulu.

c) The head of the white controlled church: his actual name is Winterbottom.

d) The head of the white colonial government: his actual name is Weatherbottom.

1. Who suggests to Ezeulu that he has been too hard on Obika?

a) His senior wife Ugoye.

b) His friend Akuebue.

c) His rival Nwaka.

d) His eldest son Nwafo.

1. What sacred animal is imprisoned by Oduche, and why?

a) A python: Oduche has been told by the white Christians that all snakes, including pythons, are evil.

b) A boa constrictor: Oduche has been told by Obika that keeping a constrictor prisoner will keep the village safe.

c) A rattlesnake: Oduche has been told by the white Christians that all snakes, including rattlesnakes, are evil.

d) A python: Oduche has been told by his father that all snakes, including pythons, are dangerous.

1. What are the differences between John Goodcountry and Moses Unachukwu?

a) Goodcountry is white and British: Unachukwu is black and African.

b) Goodcountry is black and British: Unachukwu is black and African.

c) Goodcountry is white and a Christian: Unachukwu is black and a Muslim.

d) Goodcountry is white and African: Unachukwu is black and African.

1. Who does Tony Clarke have over for dinner?

a) His commanding officer: Winterbottom.

b) His commanding officer: John Wright.

c) His assistant, Winterbottom.

d) His friend and ally Ezeulu.

1. What relative of Ezeulu’s seems to have a presence in his dream?

a) His father.

b) His half-brother.

c) His mother.

d) His dying son.

1. What is the focus of the ritual performed in Chapter Seventeen?

a) Children honoring the spirits of their dead parents.

b) Widowers honoring the spirits of their dead wives.

c) Farmers honoring the spirits of their dead animals.

d) Widows honoring the spirits of their dead husbands.

1. What seems to be the purpose of the Festival of New Pumpkin Leaves?

a) To celebrate the return of men from war with Okperi.

b) To cleanse the village of evil.

c) To celebrate the harvest of yams.

d) To cleanse the village of Ezeulu’s influence.

1. Which of Ezeulu’s sons does he think is likely to replace him as high priest?

a) Obika.

b) Matefi.

c) Nwafo.

d) Obiageli.

1. *Arrow of God* is set in

a) Tanzania

b) Zanzibar

c) Nigeria

d) Zaire

1. *Arrow of God* won the first ever

a) Jock Campbell Prize for African Writing

b) Cecil B. Rhodes Scholarship Award

c) John Reilly Award for Commonwealth Writing

d) The African Laureate Award

38. War between Umuaro and Okperi is settled by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

a) white men

b) the natives

c) a court of law

d) the defeat of Okperi

39. *Arrow of God* takes place in a village called

a) Igbo

b) Johannesburg

c) Okperi

d) Umuaro

**KEY:**

1. A
2. B
3. D
4. B
5. C
6. B
7. B
8. B
9. D
10. C
11. B
12. B
13. B
14. D
15. C
16. D
17. A
18. D
19. A
20. B
21. B
22. B
23. B
24. A
25. D
26. D
27. A
28. B
29. A
30. A
31. A
32. C
33. D
34. B
35. C
36. C
37. A
38. A
39. D
40. **Fill in the Blanks:**
    * + 1. *Arrow of God* takes place in a fictitious Igbo village called\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
        2. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is Ezeulu’s favourite son and who is presumed to take on his father’s duties as Chief Priest
        3. There are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_days in the Igbo week
        4. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ signs a warrant of arrest for the apprehension of the priest in Arrow of God.
        5. War between Umuaro and Okperi is settled by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
        6. Okeke is Ezeulu’s \_\_\_\_\_\_
        7. Tony Clark treats Ezeulu and Obika as \_\_\_\_\_
        8. Obika died after drinking too much and over-exerting himself at a \_\_\_\_\_
        9. Winterbottom appoints Ezeulu as \_\_\_\_\_\_
        10. Ezeulu is visited by the voice of the god \_\_\_\_\_
        11. The name of Obika’s bride is \_\_\_\_\_
        12. Obika is whipped by \_\_\_\_\_, thereby triggering conflict amongst the African workers.
        13. The roadside sacrifice was discovered by \_\_\_\_ and his assistant.
        14. Winterbottom is known among the Africans as \_\_\_\_\_\_
        15. Oduche imprisons a sacred animal, which is the \_\_\_\_
        16. Ezuelu thinks that among his sons, \_\_\_\_\_ will replace him as high chief.
        17. *Arrow of God* is set in the country of \_\_\_\_\_\_
        18. Ezuelu and his tribesman worship the god \_\_\_\_\_
        19. Ezeulo considers himself as an \_\_\_\_ in the bow of his god, Ulu.
        20. The sacred animal, \_\_\_\_\_ is imprisoned by Oduche in Arrow of God.

**KEY:**

1. Umuaro
2. NWafo
3. 4
4. Captain TK Winterbottom
5. White men
6. Half-brother
7. Prisoners
8. Ritual
9. Warrant chief
10. Ulu
11. Okuata
12. John Wright
13. Tony Clark
14. Wintabota
15. Python
16. Nwafo
17. Nigeria
18. Ulu
19. Arrow
20. Python

**UNIT III: CRY THE BELOVED COUNTRY: ALAN PATON**

1. **Multiple Choice Questions:**
   * + 1. Which of the following men is not a priest in the novel, *Cry the Beloved Country*?
2. Msimangu
3. Father Vincent
4. Mr. Carmichael
5. Kumalo
6. What money does Kumalo use for his trip to Johannesburg?
7. The money he and his wife have been saving for Absalom’s schooling
8. The money he had been saving to build a Church
9. Money given to him by Jarvis
10. Money given to him by Msimangu
11. Why don’t black mine workers bring their families to Johannesburg?
12. Johannesburg is too dangerous for wives and children
13. Their families prefer to stay in the rural villages
14. There is no housing for the families
15. The mine workers prefer to live alone
16. Why are the village children dying in, *Cry, The Beloved Country*?
17. They lack milk
18. They lack bread
19. They lack medicine
20. They lack water
21. Who orchestrates the building of Shanty Town?
22. Tomlinson
23. Dubula
24. Arthur Jarvis
25. John Kumalo
26. Why did Absalom’s wife run away from home?
27. She wanted to work by herself
28. She was pregnant and did not want anyone to find out
29. She fought with her brothers
30. Her mother drank too much and did not get along with her stepfather
31. Where are Absalom and Kumalo finally reunited?
32. At the prison
33. At the mission’s house
34. In Shanty Town
35. In the courtroom
36. What is the central message of the novel, *Cry, The Beloved Country?*
37. Devastation
38. Hope
39. Comedic joyfulness
40. Fate of the miners
41. Cry, the Beloved Country is principally about
    1. man’s responsibility in society
    2. superiority of men over women
    3. crime and punishment in Johannesburg
    4. racial discrimination in South Africa
42. Who was Absalom’s lawyer?
    1. Mr. Harrison
    2. Mr. Carmichael
    3. Father Vincent
    4. James Jarvis
43. Why were the children dying in Paton’s novel Cry, the Beloved Country?

a) they lack water

b) they lack shelter

c) they lack medicine

d) they lack milk

1. What happens to Gertrude at the end of the novel?

a) She commits suicide

b) She returned to Ndotsheni

c) She returns to prostitution

d) She became a nun

1. Umfundisi in Cry, the Beloved Country means

a) Goodbye

b) Parson

c) Brother

d) Judge

14. Of which religion is the Rev. Kumalo a clergyman?

a) Episcopelian

b) Methodist

c) Roman Catholic

d) Anglican

15. Who is the co-defendant to Absalom Kumalo when he is awaiting trial for murder?

a) Cousin

b) Uncle

c) Brother

d) Grandfather

16. Rev. Stephen Kumalo’s brother John Kumalo’s occupation is

a) bus driver

b) lawyer

c) doctor

d) carpenter

17. Stephen Kumalo goes to Johannesburg because

a) he has been summoned by the bishop of his diocese

b) he has been subpoenaed to appear in court

c) to take part in the growing protest over racial injustice

d) his sister Gertrude is sick

18. Above Stephen Kumalo’s village there is a farm owned by a white family. What is this farm called?

a) White Farm

b) Animal Farm

c) High Place

d) Diepkloof

19. From which European language did Afrikaans, one of the two major South African languages, develop?

a) Dutch

b) German

c) English

d) Italian

20. When James Jarvis goes through his son Arthur's possessions he notes the prevalence of a certain American president in his sons' books and writings. Which president is this?

a) Abraham Lincoln

b) George Washington

c) Franklin Delano Roosevelt

d) Thomas Jefferson

21. One of the most forceful themes of *Cry the Beloved Country* is Paton's pairing of the Native (black) peoples' condition with that of what?

a) the economy

b) the land

c) the sea

d) the overall welfare of tribes across the African continent

22. In keeping with *Cry, the Beloved Country*’s theme of young people leaving their villages for work or for other purposes, where do most of them end up, besides the city slums?

a) crews building the railroad

b) the mines

c) prison

d) America

23. James Jarvis and Stephen Kumalo have both lost their sons. In what way is this signifigant?

a) The two sons were executed together as co-defendants

b) Kumalo's son murdered Jarvis' son

c) They both died in the same traffic accident

d) They were both shot by police in a protest against the racial injustices present in South Africa

24. After Stephen Kumalo has returned to Ndotsheni at the end of the novel, who offers him assistance in revitalizing the village?

a) a neighboring village

b) UNICEF

c) Jarvis

d) the church

25. Stephen Kumalo's sister Gertrude has been supporting herself via illegal means. From which of the following criminal enterprises did she earn her livelihood?

a) extortion

b) counterfeiting money

c) selling illegal alcohol

d) robbery

26. On the day Absolom is scheduled to be executed, Stephen Kumalo goes into the mountains around Ndotsheni to pray. Who does he meet while there?

a) the village chief

b) his wife

c) James Jarvis

d) Arthur Jarvis

27. After returning to Ndotsheni, Stephen Kumalo encounters Arthur Jarvis' son. Later, as a result of his conversation with the boy, the Jarvis farm sends a gift to the village. What is this gift?

a) rice for the people

b) grain for the cows

c) milk for the children

d) seed for the planters

28. Msimangu confides his fear that "by the time the white man learns to love, the black man will have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_." ?

a) lost all hope

b) mostly died out

c) turned to violence

d) learned to hate

29. When Stephen Kumalo returns from Johannesburg to Ndotsheni, he brings two people with him. Who are these people?

a) his son Absolom and his wife

b) his sister Gertrude and his son Absolom's wife

c) his sister Gertrude's son and his son Absolom's wife

d) his sister Gertrude and her son

30. Napoleon Letsitsi, an agricultural expert hired by James Jarvis to assist the people of Ndotsheni, states that he works for whom?

a) the people of Africa

b) the people who pay his salary

c) the villagers of Ndotsheni

d) the nation of South Africa

31. Obsession over what substance has led many people into a frenzy over the state of their stocks in *Cry, the Beloved Country*?

a) Coal

b) Gold

c) Oil

d) Opals

32. Stephen first travels by bus from his native district to what city?

a) Fordsburg

b) Ixopo

c) Johannesburg

d) Springs

33. What does Stephen learn about his sister Gertrude when he visits the mission?

a) She has become a nanny for a white family.

b) She has become a prostitute.

c) She has been sent to prison.

d) She has died from a mysterious illness.

34. What is the outcome of Absalom's trial?

a) He is found guilty and sentenced to life in solitary confinement.

b) He is found guilty and sentenced to death.

c) He is found not guilty and set free.

d) His trial is found to be corrupt and must be rescheduled.

35. What natural phenomenon does Alan Paton use to symbolize the wounded African culture?

a) A flock of red birds so thick that it obscures the sun from view

b) Deep cracks appearing in the parched red earth

c) The birth of a baby with pronounced red birth marks covering its torso

d) The erosion of the red soil, which colors the rivers blood red

36. What prevents John Harrison from understanding or imitating the ideals of Arthur Jarvis?

a) John believes that Arthur's son killed his brother.

b) John disagrees with Arthur's religious views.

c) John regards Arthur as too much of a dreamer.

d) John's family is entrenched in a bitter feud with Arthur's family.

37. Where does Stephen meet Dubula?

a) At the bus boycott

b) At the city mission

c) In front of a local church

d) In the alleyways of Shanty Town

38. Which character is not depicted as a man of charity and goodness?

a) Dubula

b) Father Vincent

c) John Kumalo

d) Mr. Carmichael

39. Whose death sends Stephen into a period of such deep despair that he is unable to pray?

a) Absalom Kumalo

b) Arthur Jarvis

c) James Jarvis

d) Reverend Msimangu

40. Why does Stephen feel betrayed by his son Absalom?

a) Absalom has changed his name.

b) Absalom has committed murder.

c) Absalom kidnapped a young girl.

d) Absalom married someone from another tribe.

**KEY:**

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27. C
28. D
29. C
30. A
31. B
32. C
33. B
34. B
35. D
36. C
37. A
38. C
39. B
40. B
41. **Fill in the Blanks:**
42. Absalom is arrested for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
43. In the novel, *Cry, The Beloved Country*, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_is said to be the basis of Johannesburg’s wealth
44. The black man who organizes the bus boycott and inspires the building of Shanty Town is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .
45. The novel Cry, the Beloved Country is divided into \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ books.
46. Stephen Kumalo feels betrayed by Absalom because Absalom has committed \_\_\_\_
47. The death of \_\_\_\_\_ created such a feeling of deep despair in Stephen that he is unable to pray.
48. Absalom was found guilty of murder and sentenced to \_\_\_\_\_
49. Arthur Jarvis was greatly affected by the life of U.S President \_\_\_\_\_\_
50. Stephen finds out that his sister Gertrude has become a \_\_\_\_\_ when he visits the mission.
51. Stephen Kumalo is a priest of the \_\_\_\_\_ church.
52. Stephen’s village is named \_\_\_\_\_\_
53. Stephen receives help from \_\_\_\_\_ in revitalizing his village.
54. Stephen first takes the bus from his native place to visit \_\_\_\_\_
55. Stephen goes to Johannesburg because he received word that \_\_\_\_\_ was sick.
56. Most of the young men in Stephen’s village go to work in the \_\_\_\_\_
57. Absalom, Stephen’s son is the murderer of \_\_\_\_\_
58. The village children in *Cry the Beloved Country* are dying because they lack \_\_\_\_.
59. Dubula orchestrates the building of \_\_\_\_\_
60. Absalom and Kumalo are reunited at \_\_\_\_\_
61. Gertrude becomes a \_\_\_\_ at the end of the novel *Cry the beloved Country*

**KEY:**

1. Murder
2. Gold
3. Dubula
4. Three books
5. Murder
6. Arthur Jarvis
7. Death
8. Abraham Lincoln
9. Prostitute
10. Anglican
11. Ndotsheni
12. James Jarvis
13. Johannesburg
14. Gertrude
15. Mines
16. Arthur Jarvis
17. Milk
18. Shanty Town
19. Prison
20. Prostitute

**UNIT IV: THE VIVISECTOR- PATRICK WHITE**

1. **Multiple Choice Questions:**
2. In *The Vivisector,* we see the protagonist Hurtle Duffield exploiting what for his art?
3. His friends
4. Money
5. His parents
6. Women
7. On a trip to England, Alfreda Courtney is horrified to find the vivisection of what?
8. A child
9. A dog
10. A cat
11. A horse
12. What deformity does Rhoda Courtney have?
13. Hunchback
14. Blind
15. Crippled
16. Scars
17. What is the name of the girl who lives next to the Courtneys who happens to be quite the match for Hurtle on the subject of manipulation?
18. Nance Lightfoot
19. Hero Pavloussi
20. KathyVolkov
21. Olivia Davenport
22. At the end of the novel, *The Vivisector*, what happens to Hurtle Duffield?
23. He accepts a knighthood and regained wealth
24. He teaches his protégé everything he knows
25. He reconciles with his family
26. He dies with a paintbrush in his hand

6. The sole passion of Hurtle Duffield was

a) art

b) women

c) reading

d) travelling

7. Who was born a hunchbacked female in The Vivisector?

a) Katherine Volkov

b) Rhoda Courtney

c) Alfreda Courtney

d) Hero Pavloussi

8. Hurtle Duffield was born into a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Australian family.

a) middle-class

b) bourgeois

c) working class

d) high-class

9. For the first time, Hurtle Duffield meets a woman in the streets by the name of –

a) Hero Pavloussi

b) Katherine Volkov

c) Alfreda Courtney

d) Nance Lightfoot

10. Hero Pavloussi was the wife of a / an –

a) Australian merchant

b) Greek merchant

c) European merchant

d) American merchant

11. Hurtle Duffield and Hero Pavloussi went on a pilgrimage to the sacred Island of Perialos in the

a) Aegean Sea

b) Arabian Sea

c) Ionian Sea

d) Mediterranean Sea

12. In the start of Disgrace, the age of David Lurie was

a) thirty- seven

b) forty - two

c) fifty - two

d) fifty- seven

13. The Courtneys adopt Hurtle Duffield to be Rhoda’s \_\_\_\_\_

a) servant

b) tutor

c) companion

d) competitor

14. Hurtle’s greatest painting is called

a) the Magnum Opus

b) The Homage

c) Rhoda

d) The Vivisector

15. *The Vivisector* was published in

a) 1970

b) 1960

c) 1950

d) 1940

16. \_\_\_\_\_\_ is a manipulative woman who also plays the piano.

a) Rhoda Courtney

b) Kathy Volkov

c) Hero Pavloussi

d) Alfreda Courtney

17. Hurtle’s first love is \_\_\_\_\_, a prostitute.

a) Kathy

b) Hero

c) Nance

d) Olivia

18. After his stroke, Hurtle becomes partially

a) blind

b) paralysed

c) deaf

d) amnesiac

19. Hurtle enlists into the army during

a) World War I

b) World War II

c) The Spanish War

d) the Korean War

20. Hurtle has a series of affairs with women he cannot love because

a) all these women are ugly

b) he is afraid falling in love would be too consuming

c) he enjoys the company of many women

d) he cannot settle for just one woman

21. Hurtle’s inspiration for his art was

a) the chaos of World War I

b) his poverty-ridden childhood

c) his many lovers

d) other great artists

22. Nance Lightfoot dies when she

a) is killed by a gunman

b) meets with a traffic accident

c) falls to the rocks below Hurtle’s shack

d) poisoned by Hurtle’s mother

23. Hurtle completes his masterpiece with the help of his protégé,

a) Hero Pavloussi

b) Cecil Cutbush

c) Boo Hollingrake

d) Don Lethbridge

24. *The Vivisector* was awarded the \_\_\_\_\_ in 1973.

a) Pulitzer Prize

b) Nobel Prize

c) Booker Prize

d) Reader’s Choice

25. The word, ‘vivisection’ means

a) dissection while still alive

b) stuffed and preserved after death

c) dissection after death

d) tortured to death

26. After seeing the vivisected dog, Alfreda comments that “There’s nothing so inhuman as a \_\_\_\_\_”.

a) dog

b) vivisectionist

c) human being

d) man

27. Hurtle was \_\_\_\_\_ from his real parents by the Courtneys.

a) stolen

b) bought

c) kidnapped

d) taken by force

28. Hurtle Duffield was sold for \_\_\_\_\_ pounds to the Courtneys by his parents.

a) 1000

b) 100

c) 750

d) 500

29. Hurtle Duffield suffered \_\_\_\_\_ towards the end of his life.

a) a heart attack

b) a stroke

c) a vehicle accident

d) a fall

**30.** *The Vivisector* is written by

a) Patrick White

b) Alan Paton

c) Chinua Echebe

d) V.S. Naipaul

31. White dedicates his novel *The Vivisector* to Sidney Nolan, a \_\_\_\_

a) vivisectionist

b) painter

c) politician

d) writer

32. Nance Lightfoot is a

a) secretary

b) Greek heiress

c) painter

d) prostitute

33. Hurtle’s mother becomes acquainted with the Courtneys when she does \_\_\_\_\_ for them.

a) housekeeping

b) gardening

c) laundry

d) cooking

34. Rhoda was initially very \_\_\_\_\_\_ towards Hurtle when he was first adopted by her parents.

a) puzzled

b) curious

c) resentful

d) affectionate

35. Alfreda accuses Hurtle of being born with \_\_\_\_\_ in his hands, and his eyes.

a) a knife

b) a gleam of greed

c) a glitter

d) a spoon

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27. B
28. D
29. B
30. A
31. B
32. D
33. C
34. C
35. A
36. **Fill in the Blanks:**
37. Hurtle Duffield pursues a relationship with\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who was a low-class but good-hearted prostitute
38. By the end of his life, after having suffered from a stroke, Hurtle Duffield was able to finish his masterpiece with the help of his protégé, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
39. Hurtle Duffield was sold for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pounds to the Courtneys by his parents.
40. The estate of the Courtneys was appropriately called \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ where the golden light prevails.
41. The Courtneys adopted Hurtle to provide companionship to \_\_\_\_\_
42. Hurtle Duffield’s greatest painting is called \_\_\_\_\_\_
43. *The Vivisector* was published in \_\_\_\_\_
44. One of Hurtle Duffield’s lovers is \_\_\_\_\_, a manipulative woman who also plays the piano*.*
45. Hurtle’s first love is the prostitute \_\_\_\_\_
46. Hurtle becomes partially paralysed after he suffers a \_\_\_\_
47. Hurtle enlisted as a soldier in the army during the \_\_\_ World War.
48. Hurtle’s inspiration for his art were his many \_\_\_\_\_
49. Nance Lightfoot falls to her death on the rocks below \_\_\_\_\_ shack.
50. Hurtle is able to complete his masterpiece with the help of his protégé \_\_\_\_\_
51. *The Vivisector* was awarded the \_\_\_\_ in 1973.
52. Hero Pavloussi was the wife of a / an \_\_\_\_\_ merchant
53. Hurtle Duffield’s nationality is \_\_\_\_
54. Hurtle Duffield dies with a \_\_\_\_ in his hand
55. On a trip to England, Alfreda Courtney is horrified to find the vivisection of \_\_\_\_.
56. Rhoda Courtney suffered a deformity in that she was a \_\_\_\_

**KEY:**

1. Nance Lightfoot
2. Don Lethbridge
3. 500
4. Sunningdale
5. Rhoda
6. The vivisector
7. 1970
8. Kathy Volkov
9. Nance
10. Stroke
11. First
12. Lovers
13. Hurtle’s
14. Don Lethbridge
15. Nobel Prize
16. Greek
17. Australian
18. Paintbrush
19. A dog
20. Hunchback

**UNIT V: DISGRACE- JOHN MAXWELL COETZEE**

1. **Multiple Choice Questions:**
2. David Lurie’s ‘disgrace’ comes after he seduces which woman?
3. A prostitute
4. A secretary at the university
5. A student, Melanie Isaacs
6. Petrus, a married woman
7. Where does Lurie go on the Sunday after he first meets Melanie?
8. To her house in order to introduce himself to her parents
9. To her apartment to see her
10. To the office to find her address and telephone number
11. To his office to finish his fourth book
12. What paper is Lurie’s sexual harassment scandal published in?
13. Argus
14. Johannesburg Times
15. Herald
16. Cape Town Times
17. During Rape Awareness Week, what words are written on a pamphlet slipped under Lurie’s door?
18. Justice will be served
19. Your days are over, Cassanova
20. Go home, pervert
21. You are not welcome here

5. Melanie Isaacs was enrolled in which of Lurie’s courses?

a) Communication 201

b) Romantics

c) Communication Skills

d) Advanced Communication Skills

6. Where did Lurie go on the Sunday after he just met Melanie?

a) To the office to finish his fourth book

b) To her apartment

c) To her house to introduce himself to her parents

d) To the office in order to find Melanie’s address and telephone number

7. Who was the chair of Lurie’s department?

a) Farodia Rasssol

b) David Lurie

c) Elaine Winter

d) Arkam Hakim

8. When David Lurie visits Lucy, what news does Lucy offer him when he asks her how she is?

a) That she is dieting and plans to lose forty pounds.

b) That she is depressed and being treated for depression.

c) That she is pregnant.

d) That she has contracted a serious disease.

9. After the hearing, who is it that asks David Lurie how the hearing went?

a) The woman from the Coalition Against Discrimination.

b) His ex-wife.

c) A female reporter.

d) A male reporter.

10. On the night after Lurie's day at the clinic when he cannot sleep, what does he do?

a) Reads.

b) Writes.

c) A crossword puzzle.

d) Stares out the window.

11. What appliance does Lurie buy to replace one that has been stolen?

a) A television.

b) A radio.

c) A microwave oven.

d) An electric drill.

12. Who Is Teresa in the most recent version of Lurie’s play?

a) A middle-aged woman who cares for her father.

b) A young and beautiful woman.

c) A sickly dog.

d) A vengeful spinster.

13. On the walk Lurie and Lucy go on near her house, they discuss the cycads. What are cycads?

a) A breed of dog.

b) A small wild animal.

c) A vine.

d) A type of flower.

14. When one of the women at the hearing rails against Lurie's behavior, what is the particular word used in reference to his relationship with Melanie that he feels is so inaccurate?

a) Abuse.

b) Manipulative.

c) Immoral.

d) Violent.

15. To whom does Lurie write a letter about the attack on the farm?

a) Mr. Isaacs.

b) The police.

c) Rosalind.

d) The university.

16. Who does Lurie think of immediately after having been with Bev?

a) Rosalind.

b) Melanie Isaacs.

c) Lucy.

d) Soraya.

17. As Lurie is walking back to the farm, who does he physically attack?

a) Petrus.

b) A policeman who is there for questioning.

c) Pollux.

d) Ryan.

18. Who is it that comes to pick up Lurie at the hospital after he is treated?

a) Ettinger.

b) Bill Shaw.

c) Petrus.

d) Bev Shaw.

19. What has Lurie told Rosalind is a hobby, but in fact is something that "consumes" him?

a) His opera.

b) Selling vegetables at the market.

c) His dog.

d) Tutoring.

20. Towards the end of the hearing, what does Mathabane imply about Lurie's state of mind?

a) That he is profoundly clear on the proceedings.

b) That he is confusing fantasy and reality.

c) That he is faking insanity.

d) That it is not "crystal clear."

21. Who it that insists to Lurie that Petrus is a good man?

a) Ettinger.

b) Bev Shaw.

c) Helen.

d) Bill Shaw.

22. What is the town in which Lucy lives?

a) Salem.

b) Cape Town.

c) Oudtshoorn

d) Kenton

23. What is the university that is near where Lucy lives?

a) New South Africa University.

b) Suffolk University.

c) Rhodes University.

d) Essex University.

24. In the attack that David instigates, who comes to the rescue of the recipient of David's attack?

a) Lucy.

b) Pollux.

c) Petrus.

d) Bev.

25. On the night after Lurie's day at the clinic, what is the troubling thought that he cannot shake?

a) That Lucy will end up a spinster.

b) That Lucy may be a lesbian.

c) That Lucy will kick him out of the house.

d) That Lucy will soon need more money.

26. Who is Ettinger who appears at the beginning of Chapter 12?

a) Lucy's doctor.

b) Lucy's dogs' veterinarian.

c) Lurie's brother.

d) Lucy's neighbor.

27. When Lurie first walks into the hearing, what is the word that best describes his feeling toward the proceedings?

a) Confident.

b) Dejected.

c) Anxious.

d) Angry.

28. Why is Lurie a little slow to recognize Lucy when she comes out to greet him?

a) She is dressed like a man.

b) Her hair has turned completely grey.

c) She has gained weight.

d) She has cut her hair.

29. What does Lucy accuse her father of?

a) Thinking she is wasting her time.

b) Thinking she should lose weight.

c) Thinking she should have friends who are of a higher social class.

d) Thinking that she cannot continue to support herself.

30. Who or what is it that particularly enjoys Lurie's new past time?

a) Petrus.

b) David's dog.

c) Bev.

d) David's new assistant.

31. Once back in town, what does Lurie do to occupy his time?

a) He works on his play.

b) He begins marathon training.

c) He begins to inquire about how to start a dog shelter.

d) He lurks watching for Melanie.

32. David Lurie is a professor of

a) History

b) Philosophy

c) English

d) Economics

33. David Lurie has been divorced\_\_\_\_

a) once

b) twice

c) thrice

d) none of the above

34. David Lurie’s disgrace comes about when he

a) gets Melanie drunk and seduces her

b) embezzles the university funds

c) neglects his daughter

d) abuses his former wife

35. The farm was attacked and Lucy was raped by \_\_\_

a) two white men

b) Petrus

c) three black man

d) an unidentified man

36. Bev Shaw runs \_\_\_

a) a pharmacy

b) a poultry farm

c) an animal shelter

d) a bakery

37. David Lurie lives in

a) Cape Town

b) Kingston

c) Rhodes

d) Johannesburg

**KEY:**

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26. D
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31. A
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33. B
34. A
35. C
36. C
37. A
38. **Fill in the Blanks:**
39. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was the name of the escort service Lurie used to find a woman
40. In the past few years, he [David Lurie] has been playing with the idea of a work on \_\_\_\_\_\_.
41. Lucy’s mother [Evelina] returned to \_\_\_\_\_\_.
42. Lurie is obsessed with a woman named \_\_\_\_\_
43. Lurie writes a letter to \_\_\_\_\_ about the attack on the farm.
44. Lurie physically attacks \_\_\_\_\_ when he walks back to the farm.
45. \_\_\_\_\_\_ comes to pick up Lurie after his treatment at the hospital.
46. Mathabane implies at the hearing that Lurie’s mind is not \_\_\_\_ clear.
47. Lucy lives in the town of \_\_\_\_\_
48. David Lurie is a professor of \_\_\_\_\_
49. David Lurie has been divorced \_\_\_\_\_
50. Lurie’s disgrace comes about when he plies \_\_\_\_ with alcohol and seduces her.
51. Lurie has an affair with \_\_\_\_\_, who runs an animal shelter.
52. David Lurie lives in the city of \_\_\_\_
53. Lurie was involved in a scandal regarding \_\_\_\_\_.
54. Bev Shaw runs a(n) \_\_\_\_\_\_ shelter.

**KEY:**

1. Discreet Escorts
2. Byron
3. Holland
4. Melanie
5. Rosalind
6. Pollux
7. Bill Shaw
8. Crystal
9. Salem
10. English
11. Twice
12. Melanie Isaacs
13. Bev Shaw
14. Cape Town
15. Sexual harassment
16. Animal