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GREEK LITERATURE

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1. The Lyceum was the school of philosophy founded by
a. Socrates. b. Plato. c. Aristotle. d. Zeno.
2. Pericles' Funeral Oration appears in the work of
a. Xenophon. b. Isocrates. c. Herodotus. d. Thucydides.
3. The author of the Shield of Heracles and the Theogony:
a. Hesiod b. Homer c. Alcman d. Archilochus
4. The poet often referred to as the "Tenth Muse":
a. Corinna b. Homer c. Theocritus d. Sappho
5. Which of the following is an example of a satyr play?
a. Bacchae b. Ion c. Cyclops d. Helen
6. Which of the following plays was NOT written by Aeschylus?
a. Electra b. Suppliants c. Persians d. Agamemnon
7. Apollonius of Rhodes wrote an epic concerning the exploits of
a. Theseus. b. Jason. c. Achilles. d. Heracles.
8. Greek theaters contained an altar to
a. Athena. b. Apollo. c. Dionysus. d. Hera.
9. Which of the following was written by Plato?
a. Politics b. Metaphysics c. Memorabilia d. Laws
10. Which Presocratic philosopher stated, "It is not possible to step twice into the same river"?
a. Democritus b. Heraclitus c. Anaxagoras d. Empedocles
11. To which author would you turn for a description of King Xerxes' invasion of Greece?
a. Herodotus b. Xenophon c. Thucydides d. Aristotle
12. The final episode in the Iliad:
a. Achilles' death b. fall of Troy
c. Hector's funeral d. council of the gods
13. Athenian statesman who wrote poetry to explain his political policies:
a. Pericles b. Cleisthenes c. Themistocles d. Solon

14. In which play does Aristophanes satirize the Athenian jury system?
 a. Wasps b. Birds c. Acharnians d. Knights
15. With which of the following statements would a Stoic agree?
 a. Whatever happens is in accordance with divine reason.
 b. The human soul perishes with the body.
 c. The explanation of the universe is to be sought in numbers.
 d. All objects are imitations of ideal forms existing in another world.
16. In which of the following plays does Theseus NOT appear as a character?
 a. Oedipus at Colonus b. Madness of Heracles c. Medea
 d. Hippolytus
17. In the Poetics, Aristotle states that a complex tragic plot may involve a reversal of fortune called
 a. anagnorisis. b. peripeteia. c. hamartia. d. catharsis.
18. Thespis is credited with the invention of
 a. pastoral poetry. b. choral lyric. c. oratory.
 d. tragedy.
19. The school of philosophy founded by Pyrrho of Elis which asserted that knowledge of the true nature of things was unattainable:
 a. Scepticism b. Neoplatonism c. Cynicism d. Epicureanism
20. Which of Demosthenes' speeches is a reply to Aeschines' attack on him in Against Ctesiphon?
 a. On the Peace b. On the False Assembly c. On the Crown
 d. On the Liberty of the Rhodians
21. In which book of the Odyssey does Odysseus first appear?
 a. Two b. Three c. Four d. Five
22. Author of a poem in which not Helen but a phantom went with Paris to Troy:
 a. Stesichorus b. Semonides c. Alcan d. Anacreon
23. The drunkenness of Heracles adds a comic element to this tragedy:
 a. Philoctetes b. Alcestis c. Ion d. Ajax

24. For which of the following plays is Aeschylus' authorship disputed?
 a. Seven Against Thebes b. Eumenides c. Suppliants
 d. Prometheus Bound
25. Author best known for his collection of thirty character sketches:
 a. Phrynichus b. Theophrastus c. Agathon d. Cratinus
26. In Plato's dialogue Phaedrus, Socrates uses the analogy of a charioteer driving a pair of winged horses to describe
 a. love. b. the soul. c. justice. d. the state.
27. Thales believed that all things originated from
 a. fire. b. air. c. water. d. earth.
28. The exponent of scientific geography whose treatise on the circumspection of the known world influenced Herodotus:
 a. Hecataeus b. Empedocles c. Pythagoras d. Phrynichus
29. Which orator was the teacher of Demosthenes?
 a. Isaeus b. Lysias c. Andocides d. Isocrates
30. Which of the following did NOT write lyric poetry?
 a. Pindar b. Antiphon c. Simonides d. Bacchylides
31. Poet who produced a 120-volume catalogue of all the books in the Alexandrian Library:
 a. Herodas b. Zenodotus c. Callimachus d. Theophrastus
32. The Homeric Hymn to Aphrodite concerns the goddess'
 a. adultery with Ares.
 b. ~~punishment of Hippolytus.~~
 c. love affair with Anchises.
 d. victory in the Judgement of Paris.
33. Which play and deus ex machina are INCORRECTLY matched?
 a. Ion/Apollo b. Iphigeneia in Tauris/Athena
 c. Electra/Castor and Pollux d. Philoctetes/Heraclides
34. The story of Pandora is found in
 a. Theocritus' Idylls b. Hesiod's Works and Days
 c. Pindar's Odes d. Callimachus' Hymns
35. Which author joined the expedition of Cyrus against his elder brother Artaxerxes?
 a. Xenophon b. Herodotus c. Aeschylus d. Thucydides

36. Epicurus was influenced by the atomic theory of this Presocratic philosopher:
a. Empedocles b. Thales c. Anaximenes d. Democritus
37. Influential Sophist who taught that the well-trained orator could develop arguments to support any case:
a. Socrates b. Gorgias c. Protagoras d. Hippias
38. Which of the following statements about Thucydides is NOT true?
a. He was exiled after the Spartan capture of Amphipolis.
b. He was a political opponent of Pericles ostracized in 443.
c. He dismisses the role of the gods in historical events.
d. His History of the Peloponnesian Wars is incomplete.
39. Demosthenes' nickname Batalos refers to his
a. father's occupation. b. height. c. speech impediment.
d. opposition to Philip.
40. An often imitated Lament for Daphnis is found among the works of
a. Callimachus. b. Theocritus. c. Hesiod. d. Pindar.
41. Which play by Aristophanes contains a debate between Just Discourse and Unjust Discourse?
a. Birds b. Wasps c. Acharnians d. Clouds
42. The title character of Menander's only play to survive in complete form is a
a. parasite. b. misanthrope. c. courtesan. d. flatterer.
43. Which Cynic philosopher wrote satires combining prose and verse?
a. Antisthenes b. Diogenes c. Crates d. Menippus
44. The Myth of Er describes Plato's theory of
a. knowledge. b. virtue. c. the ideal state.
d. the afterlife.
45. Which of the following wrote a biography of the Spartan king Agesilaus?
a. Plato b. Aristotle c. Xenophon d. Thucydides
46. The Batrachomyomachia is a parody of Homer in which the combatants are
a. frogs and mice. b. cats and dogs. c. rats and weasels.
d. hawks and rabbits.

47. In Aristophanes' Frogs, Dionysus goes to the Underworld to resurrect
a. Homer. b. Pindar. c. Sophocles. d. Euripides.
48. Besides Plato, who wrote a Symposium in which Socrates appears?
a. Aristotle b. Antisthenes c. Xenophon d. Theopompus
49. Which of the following best describes Isocrates' Panegyricus?
a. an attack on the methods of the Sophists
b. a plea for the union of Greek city-states
c. a denunciation of Athenian imperialism
d. an appeal for Philip of Macedon to unite the Greeks against Persia
50. The plot of Oedipus Rex focuses on
a. the events leading to Oedipus' patricide.
b. his wandering after being banished from Thebes.
c. his discovery of the truth about his identity.
d. the deaths of Laius and Jocasta.