

Greek Literature
FJCL State Forum 2019

1. Hesiod addressed his *Works and Days* to his brother ____.
A. Zeno B. Theseus C. Perses D. Arion
2. In the *Homeric Hymn* to which deity is the lyre invented?
A. Hermes B. Apollo C. Demeter D. Aphrodite
3. Which book of the *Iliad* contains the famous catalog of ships?
A. Book 1 B. Book 4 C. Book 2 D. Book 3
4. Who said, "The strong do what they can, and the weak suffer what they must"?
A. Euripides B. Herodotus C. Thucydides D. Solon
5. Which of the following visits Prometheus LAST in *Prometheus Bound*?
A. Kratos B. Io C. Oceanus D. Hermes
6. Aeschylus recounts the wanderings of Io in which of his plays?
A. *Libation Bearers* B. *Prometheus Bound*
C. *Agamemnon* D. *Suppliants*
7. What is the main discussion topic in the *Gorgias*?
A. the Atlantis myth B. evil and punishment
C. the nature of love D. the perfect government
8. Euripides was born, lived, and worked on which island?
A. Salamis B. Delos C. Lesbos D. Chios
9. Anaximenes believed in a divine intelligence called ____.
A. Nemea B. Nous C. Hypatia D. Hecale
10. Lucian's ____ is considered a parody of Book 11 of the *Odyssey*.
A. *Demonax* B. *Cataplus* C. *Dipsades* D. *Necyomantia*
11. Lysias fled the 30 Tyrants because they killed his brother ____.
A. Protagoras B. Timarchus C. Polemarchus D. Leocrates
12. Pyrrhon, the founder of Scepticism, was from ____.
A. Elis B. Corinth C. Athens D. Sparta
13. In the *Odyssey*, who is disguised as Mentor?
A. Ares B. Poseidon C. Athena D. Aphrodite
14. Which city played the dominant role in the formation of Greek literature?
A. Athens B. Sparta C. Thebes D. Corinth

15. What happens in the final book of the *Iliad*?
 A. council of the gods
 B. fall of Troy
 C. Hector's funeral
 D. Achilles' death
16. In which play does a drunk Heracles appear and eventually go to the Underworld?
 A. *Orestes*
 B. *Ion*
 C. *Trojan Women*
 D. *Alcestis*
17. Which tragedy is based on historical material instead of traditional myth?
 A. *The Persians*
 B. *The Phoenician Women*
 C. *The Assemblywomen*
 D. *Bacchae*
18. In Aristophanes' *The Peace*, the hero rides to heaven atop a(n) _____.
 A. beetle
 B. eagle
 C. cloud
 D. wasp
19. Atomic theory was originally developed by _____.
 A. Euclid
 B. Parmenides
 C. Leucippus
 D. Aristotle
20. Aristotle believed _____ was the best tragedy.
 A. *Oedipus Rex*
 B. *Medea*
 C. *Agamemnon*
 D. *Helen*
21. Aeschylus died when an eagle dropped a(n) _____ on his head.
 A. acorn
 B. tortoise
 C. scroll
 D. branch
22. Which Pre-socratic philosopher believed in four elements: earth, wind, fire, and air?
 A. Andocides
 B. Empedocles
 C. Semonides
 D. Simonides
23. Who was known in Greece as the "laughing philosopher"?
 A. Socrates
 B. Thales
 C. Plato
 D. Democritus
24. Who/what witnessed the murder of the lyric poet Ibycus at the hands of bandits?
 A. an eagle
 B. cranes
 C. a dinosaur
 D. cows
25. What is the title of Sappho's only poem to survive in its original, complete form?
 A. *Ode to Hera*
 B. *Ode to Athena*
 C. *Ode to Artemis*
 D. *Ode to Aphrodite*
26. Which of the following was written by Xenophon?
 A. *Panegyricus*
 B. *Milesian Tales*
 C. *Alexandra*
 D. *Anabasis*
27. *Agamemnon* opens with watchman waiting for a signal about what?
 A. the fall of Troy
 B. Helen's return
 C. Agamemnon's return
 D. the fall of Sparta
28. Sophocles increased the size of the chorus from _____.
 A. 10 to 12
 B. 15 to 18
 C. 8 to 10
 D. 12 to 15
29. New Comedy dates from the death of Alexander to the death of _____.
 A. Lycophron
 B. Menander
 C. Aristophanes
 D. Philemon

30. Book 2 of which epic discusses the death of Idmon?
 A. The *Odyssey* B. *Works and Days* C. The *Argonautica* D. The *Iliad*
31. Which orator was praised by Thucydides for his skills, influence, and reputation?
 A. Antiphon B. Demosthenes C. Aeschines D. Andocides
32. This tragic poet wrote the *Alexandra*, which discusses the fall of Troy from Cassandra's perspective.
 A. Lycurgus B. Lysias C. Lycophron D. Lucian
33. Where was Gorgias from?
 A. Massalia B. Athens C. Chalcis D. Sicily
34. In the opening to his *Geography*, this author classifies many famous poets as distinguished geographers.
 A. Pausanias B. Plutarch C. Strabo D. Isaeus
35. The *Odyssey* is written in what meter?
 A. hexameter B. trimeter C. hendecasyllabic D. pentameter
36. With what literary form is Aesop most associated?
 A. comedies B. fables C. tragedies D. lyric poetry
37. Anacreon wrote in which Greek dialect?
 A. Attic B. Ionic C. Aeolic D. Doric
38. The tale of Arion and the dolphin can be found in a work by _____.
 A. Thucydides B. Herodotus C. Bias D. Alcman
39. The Furies are renamed in which play by Aeschylus?
 A. *Choephoroe* B. *7 Against Thebes* C. *The Persians* D. *The Eumenides*
40. In this play by Sophocles, the main character disagrees with her sister Chrysothemis.
 A. *Trachinian Women* B. *Electra*
 C. *Antigone* D. *Ajax*
41. Which poet originated the "I dropped my shield and ran from battle" motif?
 A. Archilochus B. Anacreon C. Aesop D. Anaximenes
42. Thucydides was a general who failed to take which city?
 A. Amphipolis B. Amphissa C. Antipatrea D. Antioch
43. Socrates' mother was a _____.
 A. midwife B. poet C. artist D. seamstress
44. Which Roman poet translated Callimachus's *Lock of Berenice* into Latin?
 A. Ovid B. Catullus C. Vergil D. Lucretius

45. Callisthenes was executed for his knowledge of a plot to assassinate which ruler?
A. Phillip B. Polemarchus C. Alexander D. Pericles
46. One of Antiphon's speeches included one against which of his relatives?
A. his mother B. his father C. his stepbrother D. his stepmother
47. Which school did Aristotle establish?
A. Lyceum B. Academy C. Gardens D. Porch
48. Which lyric poet wrote poems celebrating the triumphs of athletes?
A. Pindar B. Theognis C. Heracleitus D. Stesichorus
49. Which orator convinced the Athenians to start a war with Amphissa?
A. Lysias B. Isocrates C. Aeschines D. Demosthenes
50. The speech *Against Conon* by this orator, a rival of Aeschines, includes a scene in which men cluck like chickens.
A. Demosthenes B. Andocides C. Lysias D. Isocrates