

2010 FJCL State Latin Forum Greek Literature

N.B. All dates are BCE

- Which chronology of events from the epic cycle is correct?
 - the horse ruse, Hector's death, Achilles' death, Patroclus' death
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- What does the term rhapsode mean?
 - ecstatic poetry
 - erotic poetry
 - music
 - song stitcher
- Which Homeric Hymn told the story of Eleusis and its mysteries?
 - Demeter
 - Apollo
 - Aphrodite
 - Hermes
- Which philosopher theorized everything in the universe was made of atoms?
 - Anaxagoras
 - Pythagoras
 - Socrates
 - Democritus
- What lyric poet was best known for celebrations of athletic victories?
 - Callimachus
 - Sappho
 - Solon
 - Pindar
- What poet wrote, "Of those who died at the Hot Gates their fame is famous," in honor of the dead at Thermopylae?
 - Pindar
 - Tyrtaeus
 - Simonides
 - Solon
- Which choral form was a predecessor to tragedies?
 - lyric
 - dirge
 - hymns
 - dithyramb
- Which is **not** part of the Oresteia?
 - Agamemnon
 - Libation Bearers
 - Orestes
 - Eumenides
- The period of time when the great tragic poets wrote is which of these?
 - Dark Ages
 - Persian Wars
 - Golden Age
 - Peloponnesian Wars
- Which play was not written by Sophocles?
 - Antigone
 - Oedipus Rex
 - Trojan Women
 - Philoctetes
- Which play is **incorrectly** matched with its subject?
 - Clouds/ youths are taught sophistic techniques
 - Wasps/generational conflict & court spoofs
 - Lysistrata/ ladies engineer peace by an interesting method
 - Birds/ a travesty of the Daedalus & Icarus myth
- Which writer is commonly known as the "Father of History?"
 - Herodotus
 - Thucydides
 - Xenophon
 - Ephorus

13. The Constitution of Athens was authored by whom?
 a. Herodotus b. Theopompus c. Xenophon d. the Old Oligarch
14. Which Platonic work describes the death of Socrates?
 a. *Republic* b. *Euthyphro* c. *Phaedo* d. *Symposium*
15. Whose works are considered New Comedy?
 a. Cratinos' b. Aristophanes' c. Menander's d. Theophrastus'
16. Which tragic poet is said to have lived in a cave contemplating the mysteries of life?
 a. Aeschylus b. Sophocles c. Euripides d. Phrynichus
17. Which playwright has the **most** surviving plays?
 a. Aeschylus b. Sophocles c. Euripides d. Aristophanes
18. What tale was told about Arion of Methymna?
 a. He was rescued from drowning by a music loving dolphin
 b. His recitation of his verses saved lives of Athenian prisoners in Syracuse
 c. He died when a turtle fell on his head
 d. He died from the plague at Athens
19. Which philosopher is **correctly** matched with his school?
 a. Pythagorean/Aristotle b. Cynics/Socrates
 c. Stoic/ Zeno d. Epicurean/ Anaximander
20. Which work is by Callimachus?
 a. *Eroticus* b. *Antiope* c. *Poetics* d. *Aetia*
21. Who wrote the *Philippics*?
 a. Lycurgus b. Demosthenes c. Lysias d. Gorgias
22. What Chian author of the late fourth century wrote a *Hellenica* and a *Philippica* which only exist in fragments today?
 a. Theopompus b. Demosthenes c. Lysias d. Ephorus
23. Which of these works is prose?
 a. *Iliad* b. *Frogs* c. *Argonautica* d. *Cyropaedia*
24. What literary device is exemplified by all of the following phrases: bronze-shirted Achaean, fish-haunted sea, helmeted Hector?
 a. parataxis b. alliteration c. simile d. epithet
25. According to Homer, who was buried by Sleep and Death?
 a. Hector b. Patroclus c. Memnon d. Sarpedon

26. Who first recited the story of the Golden Age?
 a. Homer b. Callimachus c. Aristotle d. Hesiod
27. What writer influenced Catullus with these words? “Peer of the gods is that man, who face to face, sits listening to your sweet speech and lovely laughter.”
 a. Menander b. Callimachus c. Alkaios d. Sappho
28. What philosopher-poet denounced Homer and Hesiod for telling lies about the gods?
 a. Xenophanes b. Pythagoras c. Socrates d. Aristotle
29. What poet’s work was preserved as an example of bathos?
 a. Korinna b. Sappho c. Praxilla of Sikyon d. Telesilla
30. What poet was a general twice in his lifetime?
 a. Aeschylus b. Sophocles c. Solon d. Aristophanes
31. Which writer, according to legend, was torn to pieces by Molossian hounds?
 a. Aeschylus b. Euripides c. Solon d. Aristophanes
32. Whose followers were called Peripatetics?
 a. Socrates’ b. Zeno’s c. Plato’s d. Aristotle’s
33. What orator first taught rhetoric to Athenians?
 a. Lysias b. Demosthenes c. Gorgias d. Alcibiades
34. In 406, Sophocles wore mourning at his play production to honor which recently deceased author?
 a. Aeschylus b. Euripides c. Solon d. Aristophanes
35. What was the normal number of comedies presented in a day at the Great Dionysia?
 a. one b. three c. five d. seven
36. What common theme is present in *Lysistrata*, *Thesmophoriazuzae*, and *Ecclesiazuzae*?
 a. ridicule of Cleon b. protests of war c. mythological farces d. women protagonists
37. What play concludes with a crazed mother helping tear apart her son, then carrying his head away on her staff?
 a. *Medea* b. *Alcestis* c. *Ion* d. *Bacchae*
38. What poet lived near Mt. Helicon and claimed he received his calling as a poet from the mountain itself?
 a. Homer b. Hesiod c. Simonides d. Pindar
39. What Ephesian poet of invective was a serious influence on Horace?
 a. Hipponax b. Anakreon c. Archilochos d. Athenaios

40. What philosopher did Aristotle call the inventor of rhetoric?
 a. Empedokles b. Parmenides c. Thales d. Anaximander
41. Which Greek poet, author of a work entitled *Anthus*, is perhaps best known for his appearance in both *Symposium* and *Thesmophoriazusae*?
 a. Aeschylus b. Euripides c. Sophocles d. Agathon
42. To whom are the following words attributed: “Of the gods I can know nothing, neither that they are nor that they are not, nor how they are shaped if at all.”?
 a. Thales b. Socrates c. Protagoras d. Plato
43. What orator had a golden statue of himself set up at Delphi?
 a. Protagoras b. Gorgias c. Socrates d. Hippias
44. What orator was seriously involved in the mutilation of the Hermae (415)?
 a. Gorgias b. Demosthenes c. Pericles d. Andocides
45. What versatile orator even wrote a satyr play, *Sisyphus*?
 a. Socrates b. Lysias c. Critias d. Demosthenes
46. Who wrote *Persika*, *Periodos* and *Indika*?
 a. Herodotus b. Xenophon c. Ctesias of Cnidos d. Strabo
47. What did the Atthidographers write?
 a. Hymns for Magna Mater b. Medical treatises for Aesculapius
 c. Dog training manuals d. Local Athenian history
48. What comic poet portrayed Pericles as a wanton warmonger?
 a. Eupolis b. Cratinus c. Aristophanes d. Echantides
49. Which sound effect or quote is correctly matched with its play?
 a. trioto trioto totobrix/ Clouds
 b. there’s nothing manlier than an Attic wasp/Birds
 c. Rainbearing maidens, let us visit the gleaming land of Pallas/ Lysistrata
 d. Brekekekex koax koax/Frogs
50. Which author would one consult for advice on horseback riding?
 a. Homer b. Xenophon c. Pythagoras d. Ephorus