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36. According to Richard Mabrak, European writers knew Greek works:
- A. Directly by reading them
  - B. From Arabic translations
  - C. By hiring Greek translators
  - D. Only through the praise of (Roman) Latin authors
37. Logocentrism is an important concept that was developed by:
- A. Structuralists
  - B. Post-structuralists
  - C. Formalism
  - D. Semioticians
38. Karl Marx said that it is people's material conditions that determines their:
- A. Literary talents
  - B. Consciousness
  - C. Wealth
  - D. Productivity
39. In Marxist criticism, literary products (novels, plays, etc) cannot be understood:
- A. Without reference to the author's biography and political culture
  - B. Without reference to the classical background that influences them
  - C. Outside of the economic conditions, class relations and ideologies of their time
  - D. Outside the time and place in which the author lives
40. Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels were:
- A. Literary critics
  - B. Political philosophers
  - C. Novelists
  - D. Playwrights
41. Western drama, poetry, literary criticism, art, education, politics, fashion, architecture, painting, sculpture were ALL produced in imitation of
- A. French literature
  - B. Classical Antiquity
  - C. Latin American culture
  - D. Arabic and Islamic culture
42. The West's relationship with Greece and Rome is:
- A. Full of contradictions and ambivalence
  - B. Simple and straightforward
  - C. Unknown
  - D. Beautiful

43. The Romans so desperately wanted to imitate the Greeks and so constantly failed to match them because:
- The Romans did not read and write
  - The Romans did not have translators
  - Imitation cannot produce originality
  - The Romans were bad imitators
44. The Romans were:
- Simple, rural and uncultivated people
  - Sophisticated and literary people
  - Multilingual
  - Unable to read and write
45. Mimesis-Diegesis is a literary distinction that was first formulated by:
- Shakespeare
  - Aristotle
  - Quintilian
  - Plato
46. Poetry, says Plato, is dangerous and ought to be banned from the state because
- Poetry makes people lazy
  - Poetry cripples the mind
  - Poetry makes people weak in math
  - Poetry teaches people to rob and steal
47. Without a system of writing, how does a society preserve and transmit its knowledge, its customs and its traditions?
- They hire writers from another society
  - They use poetry and songs
  - They use videotape
  - They use word of mouth
48. Which critics said: "And narration may be either simple narration, or imitation, or a union of the two"?
- Ibn Rushd
  - Aristotle
  - Horace
  - Plato
49. The Greek term for "art" and its Latin equivalent (ars) refer to:
- The fine arts
  - The sciences
  - The crafts
  - All kinds of human activities which we would call crafts or sciences

50. Aristotle defined what as "an imitation of an action"?
- A. Poetry
  - B. Tragedy
  - C. Films
  - D. Music

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22. ***Narrative Discourse*, Gerard Genette defines the "time narrative" as:**
- A. The time in which the author is writing the story
  - B. The time in which the story happens
  - C. The time in which the story is being told
  - D. The time in which the story is being read
23. **Gerard Genette calls "narrative order":**
- A. The relationship between the time of the story and the time of the narrative
  - B. The relationship between the time of the story and the time of reading
  - C. The relationship between the time of writing and the time of reading
  - D. The relationship between the time of the fiction and real time
24. **When a narrative stops the chronological order to bring events or information from the past (of the time zero) or from the future (of the time zero), it is called**
- A. Flashback
  - B. Projection in the future
  - C. Prolepses
  - D. Anachronies
25. **When a narrative stops the chronological order to bring events or information from the past (of the time zero), it is called:**
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27. **Genette distinguishes three kinds of focalization:**
- A. Internal, external and zero focalization
  - B. Simple, complex and composite focalization
  - C. First, second and third degree focalization
  - D. Small, medium and large focalization
28. **What are the two issues that Gerard Genette says traditional criticism confuses under "Point of View":**
- A. Plot and characters
  - B. Writer and narrator
  - C. First-person narration and third-person narration
  - D. Narrative voice and narrative perspective

15. "Literariness," according to Jan Mukarovsky, consists in:
- The maximum of foregrounding of the utterance
  - The minimum of foregrounding of the utterance
  - The maximum of backgrounding of the utterance
  - The minimum of backgrounding of the utterance
16. In poetry, said Jakobson, the communicative function should be:
- Reduced to minimum
  - Increased to a maximum
  - Completely eliminated
  - Used moderately
17. Vladimir Propp tested his theories on:
- Renaissance drama
  - American short stories
  - English novels
  - Russian fairytales
18. Structuralism seeks to:
- Interpret literature
  - Investigate the structures of literature
  - Investigate styles in literature
  - Investigate metaphors in literature
19. Formalism became in the 1960s the foundation for which school of literary criticism?
- Structuralism
  - Déconstruction
  - Marxism
  - Post-structuralism
20. With structuralism, literary criticism develops the ambition to study literature from a:
- Strictly literary perspective
  - Strictly scientific perspective
  - Strictly poetic perspective
  - Strictly Marxist perspective
21. In *Narrative Discourse*, Gerard Genette defines the "time of the story" as:
- The time in which the author is writing the story
  - The time in which the story happens
  - The time in which the story is being told
  - The time in which the story is being read

29. According to Roland Barthes, "a text is not a line of words realising a single 'theological' meaning (the 'message' of the Author-God) but:
- "a space in which a variety of writings, none of them original, blend and clash."
  - "a ground in which a variety of writings, none of them original, blend and clash"
  - "a multi-dimensional space in which a variety of writings, none of them original, blend and clash."
  - "a uni-dimensional space in which a variety of writings, none of them original, blend and clash."
30. Roland Barthes rejected the idea that literature and criticism should rely on:
- A single method of reading that everyone should follow
  - A single self-determining author, in control of his meanings
  - A single school of criticism to interpret all the texts
  - A single philosophy of language to use for literary criticism
31. Barthes wants literature to move away from the idea of the author in order to discover:
- The power of literature
  - The hidden meaning of the text
  - The intentions of the author
  - The reader and writing
32. According to Michel Foucault, the "author function" is:
- A set of belief that the author encodes in his text for the reader to find
  - A set of criteria the reader applies to understand the opinion of the author in the text
  - A set of criteria used in bookstores to organize books on the shelves
  - A set of beliefs governing the production, circulation, classification and consumption of texts
33. What is the number of the actants in Greimas's Actantial Model?
- Six
  - Ten
  - Sixteen
  - Twenty
34. A.J. Greimas says we can apply the Actantial Model on:
- Short stories
  - Novels
  - Plays
  - All literature
35. Who said: "There is no pre-discursive reality. Every reality is shaped and accessed by a discourse"?
- Roland Barthes
  - Michel Foucault
  - Jacques Derrida
  - A.J. Greimans



1. Tragedy causes pity and fear in:
  - A. The writer
  - B. The audience
  - C. The actors
  - D. The hero
2. What genre of literature does Aristotle say must have six parts?
  - A. The novel
  - B. Comedy
  - C. Tragedy
  - D. Epic poetry
3. What is it that, according to Aristotle, should have a beginning, a middle and an end?
  - A. The characters
  - B. The setting
  - C. The themes
  - D. The plot
4. The most accurate definition of the "plot" in Aristotle's theory of tragedy is:
  - A. The events of the story
  - B. The arrangement of the events in the story
  - C. The arrangement of the hero's actions in a cause-effect chain of incidents
  - D. The arrangement of the events in a cause-effect chain of incidents
5. *Ars Poetica* is a treatise on poetry by:
  - A. Plato
  - B. Aristotle
  - C. Horace
  - D. Cicero
6. "Captive Greece took its wild conqueror captive." The conqueror was:
  - A. England
  - B. France
  - C. Russia
  - D. Rome
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