

READ CLOSELY and SELECT THE BEST ANSWER

- 1. At the start of the novel, Delaney hits Cándido with his car. What is Delaney's overall feeling during the rest of the novel with regards to Mexicans?**

 - a) He wants to do more for poor immigrants.
 - b) He is indifferent and pretty much ignores them.
 - c) Although he does nothing to help them, he tries to treat them fairly.
 - d) He feels like a victim.

- 2. What is the main reason why Cándido didn't accept medical help?**

 - a) he wasn't hurt that badly
 - b) he had no money
 - c) he is illegal and would be sent back to Mexico without América
 - d) pride

- 3. When Delaney tells Kyra he hit a man, why does Kyra suggest that Delaney call Jack Jardine?**

 - a) She wants to make sure Delaney isn't hurt.
 - b) She wants to make sure they aren't sued.
 - c) She wants to help out the Mexican Delaney hit with his car.
 - d) She wants to make sure they get a good deal on a new car.

- 4. When Delaney takes a hike, what is he most upset to see in the canyon?**

 - a) coyotes b) Mexicans c) graffiti d) trash

- 5. Bill Greutert wanted "something out of the way... safe." Kyra knew that this meant something out of the way and safe from what?**

 - a) immigrants and other people of color
 - b) coyotes
 - c) noise
 - d) the disturbances of a subdivision

- 6. What is the biggest source of shame for Delaney?**

 - a) he has become prejudice
 - b) Kyra earns more money than he does
 - c) his first wife had an abortion
 - d) he hit a man with his car

- 7. The day after the fire, how does Delaney feel about attacking José?**

 - a) justified because he figures they must have started the fire
 - b) embarrassed because he realizes that José could have easily whipped his butt if others hadn't been present
 - c) ashamed that he nearly started a riot because the man walking out of the canyon was Mexican not white
 - d) upset that José had spit on him and he was unable to get true revenge

8. **Why does Delaney take a gun and go after Cándido?**

- a) He knows Cándido caused the fire.
- b) He suspects Cándido wrote graffiti on the wall surrounding Arroyo Blanco.
- c) He needs to take out his anger and frustration on someone.
- d) He has proof that Cándido was stealing from the homes in Arroyo Blanco.

9. **Which of Kyra's actions has the most negative impact on all the area Mexicans?**

- a) hires Mexican workers to make the fence higher in her backyard
- b) helps promote the wall around the community to keep Mexicans out
- c) campaigns to get the labor exchange closed down
- d) reports that Mexicans painted graffiti on the side of the Da Ros mansion

10. **Cándido doesn't want América to go up to the labor exchange for all these reasons except...**

- a) he is scared for her safety
- b) they don't need the money
- c) his pride
- d) danger of *La Migra*

11. **Why does Cándido think Delaney sent Jack Jr. to destroy their campsite?**

- a) Jack Jr. talked about Delaney when he was destroying the camp.
- b) Delaney wrote down information about Cándido.
- c) He could tell Delaney hated Mexicans.
- d) Jack Jr. has red hair and knew where to find him.

12. **Cándido brought América to the U.S. with him for all these reasons except...**

- a) América could find better work in the states
- b) the expectation of a better life for them and their baby
- c) they can be together
- d) he is scared that she will find another man like Resurrección did

13. **Why does Mary get paid more than América?**

- a) Mary can speak English.
- b) Mary worked more days.
- c) Mary was the one who got América the job.
- d) The patron thought Mary worked harder.

14. **At the end, why would Cándido say he would kill América if she tried to leave?**

- a) He has begun to hate América.
- b) He loves holding the baby and doesn't know how he could cope without his child.
- c) He would no longer have any hope or pride.
- d) América threatened to turn him in to *La Migra*.

15. **What is the main reason why Delaney does not want a gate at the entrance to the community?**

- a) it would cost a lot of money
- b) it would block his view of nature
- c) it is a symbol of prejudice
- d) there are bad influences outside of the community

16. **What was the main reason for the gathering at Dominick Flood's home?**

- a) closing the labor exchange
- b) building a wall around the community
- c) discussing crime within Arroyo Blanco
- d) introducing Dominick Flood to Delaney

17. **What was the purpose of Jim Shirley's character?**

- a) to show the wealth within Arroyo Blanco
- b) to show the diversity in the community
- c) to show the dissent against the wall
- d) to show the corrupt character of a vocal wall proponent

18. **Señor Willis was a drunk and lived like a bum, but what was most surprising about this character?**

- a) He peed in a bottle in his truck.
- b) He had very few teeth.
- c) He would disappear after jobs because he was drinking.
- d) He was a genius who offered Cándido fair pay.

19. **What is Delaney's biggest concern about Jordan's future?**

- a) Jordan will turn out to be like Jack Jr.
- b) Jordan will get fat eating junk food.
- c) Jordan is addicted to video games.
- d) Jordan will be forever scarred at seeing the dogs carried off by coyotes.

20. **Who was not hired to work in Arroyo Blanco?**

- a) América
- b) Cándido
- c) José
- d) Jack Jr.

21. **How do we know José wrote the graffiti on the wall of the Da Ros mansion?**

- a) It was in Spanish.
- b) José had a confrontation with Kyra earlier on the Da Ros grounds.
- c) Delaney caught José on camera.
- d) José admitted it when Delaney confronted him.

22. **If José raped América, why wouldn't he rape Kyra?**

- a) América has no rights; Kyra does.
- b) José thought someone was in the house waiting for Kyra.
- c) Kyra had a gun.
- d) América insulted José at the exchange, and he wanted revenge.

23. **Who wrote graffiti on the wall surrounding Arroyo Blanco?**

- a) Cándido
- b) José
- c) Jack Jr.
- d) Mary

24. **Why is América confused to see Mary at the labor exchange?**

- a) Mary is drunk yet wants work.
- b) The labor exchange is only for Mexicans.
- c) Why would a legal, white American need to be at the labor exchange to find work?
- d) Only men had been up at the labor exchange before.

25. **How does América feel about the work Jim Shirley has given her to do?**

- a) She is excited to be earning money and hopes it never ends.
- b) She can't wait for the work to be over because it hurts her hands.
- c) She is bored by the mundane task but needs the money.
- d) She refuses to go back because Jim Shirley tries to molest her.

26. **Because of pride, América refuses to eat...**

- a) overripe fruit
- b) handouts from gringos
- c) cat
- d) food from a dumpster

27. **Coyote is used to mean all the following *except*...**

- a) criminals within the walls of Arroyo Blanco
- b) dog-like animals
- c) Mexicans
- d) men who smuggle people over the border

28. **Dominick Flood's character is used to show...**

- a) wealth inside the walls of Arroyo Blanco
- b) old money used to influence others in the neighborhood
- c) the charm and hospitality of a California playboy
- d) a criminal inside the walls of Arroyo Blanco

29. **What happens to Delaney's character at the close of the novel?**

- a) Cándido attacks him to save his family.
- b) Cándido and América plead with him to leave them alone.
- c) Delaney simply leaves when he realizes that he has been stalking a poor family.
- d) Cándido saves his life.

30. **Irony is...**

- a) a clue as to what will happen later in the novel
- b) background information on a character or situation
- c) the opposite of what is expected
- d) when a person/item is symbolic of a group of people

31. **Which example below is ironic?**

- a) Delaney's column uses the word coyote to refer to Mexicans.
- b) Delaney has numerous car episodes.
- c) Delaney's column praises the coyote chorus after their dog was snatched by a coyote.
- d) Delaney does not want the wall to be built around the community because it would block out nature.

32. **Flashback is...**

- a) a clue as to what will happen later in the novel
- b) background information on a character or situation
- c) the opposite of what is expected
- d) when a person/item is symbolic of a group of people

33. **Which example below is a flashback?**

- a) Cándido remembers América as a flower girl in his wedding.
- b) América sees Mary at the labor exchange.
- c) Kyra finds out the DaRos house burned down.
- d) Delaney overhears Jack Jr. talking about Mexican chicks.

34. **Foreshadowing is...**

- a) a clue as to what will happen later in the novel
- b) background information on a character or situation
- c) the opposite of what is expected
- d) when a person/item is symbolic of a group of people

35. **Which example below is foreshadowing?**

- a) a coyote eats Kyra's dog
- b) José exits the canyon during the fire
- c) Cándido sets the canyon on fire
- d) Mary is drunk and lazy

36. Compared to Cándido and América, Delaney and Kyra live in **opulence**.

Opulence means... a) closeness b) corruption c) excitement d) riches

37. At the beginning of the novel, Delaney felt that all people had an **unassailable** right to work.

Unassailable means... a) untrue b) undeniable c) unimportant d) undeserved

38. Delaney and Cándido both wish for **progeny**.

Progeny means... a) friends b) peace c) offspring d) work

39. Cándido is an **indefatigable** worker.

Indefatigable means... a) tireless b) easily tired c) undeserving d) lazy

40. When they came to the U.S., Cándido and América were **insolvent**.

Insolvent means... a) without money b) without hope c) without goals
d) without skills

41. Jack Jr., Jim Shirley, and Dominick Flood are all examples of the **decadence** within the walls of Arroyo Blanco.

Decadence means... a) diversity b) skills c) moral decay d) charity

42. Kyra was enjoying a **respite** from work at Dominick Flood's party.

Respite means... a) mark of respect b) lull in salary c) depression d) time off

43. There was no **dearth** of Mexicans looking for work at the labor exchange.

Dearth means... a) surplus b) sufficient amount c) shortage d) excess

44. Dominick Flood held a **lavish** Thanksgiving party for the people in the community.

Lavish means... a) subtle b) overly luxurious c) secret d) amusing

45. Jack Jr.'s comments about Mexican chicks **appalls** Delaney.

Appalls means... a) bores b) shocks c) amuses d) inspires

Use the CNN Immigration Statistics Fast Facts to complete the following questions.

46. In 2013, 990,553 people were granted lawful permanent residence in the United States. The largest percentage of **legal** immigrants (approximately 40%) were born in which **continent**?
- a) Africa
 - b) Asia
 - c) Europe
 - d) North America
 - e) South America
47. The largest percentage of **legal** immigrants (14%) and the largest percentage of people to become naturalized United States citizens came from which **country**?
- a) Canada
 - b) China
 - c) Cuba
 - d) Mexico
 - e) Russia
48. In 2013, 662,483 **unauthorized** immigrants were apprehended. 64% came from which country?
- a) China
 - b) Cuba
 - c) India
 - d) Mexico
 - e) Pakistan
49. Residents of the United States becoming naturalized citizens in 2013 spent a median of how many years waiting in **lawful** permanent residence before becoming citizens?
- a) 1 year
 - b) 3 years
 - c) 5 years
 - d) 7 years
 - e) 9 years
50. In 2012, the Department of Homeland Security estimated that how many **unauthorized** immigrants were living in the United States?
- a) 2.7 million
 - b) 5.3 million
 - c) 7.9 million
 - d) 9.1 million
 - e) 11.4 million

51. The top states where **unauthorized** immigrants settled in 2012 were...
- a) California, Texas, Florida, New York, Illinois
 - b) California, Arizona, Texas, Florida, New Mexico
 - c) California, New Mexico, New York, Texas, Nevada
 - d) California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Texas
 - e) California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Florida