



SO LONG A LETTER

(Mariama Ba)

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

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IMPORTANT INFO

You bought your rice from Thailand doesn't mean you will never have your teeth spot some stones. *'no be only Nigerian rice get stone'* Although, this material have been sieved with patience but do not dwell on any spelling you find incorrect. But I guarantee you 99.9% accuracy of this practice questions.

You will find this material very effective if you have read the book; **SO LONG A LETTER_Mariama Bâ**. However, it is still very useful if you have never read the book. I wish you success in your exams.

QUESTIONS

CHAPTER 1

1. The letter by Ramatoulaye was written to _____

ANSWER: Aissatou

2. _____ was referred to as salt of remembrance

ANSWER: Memories

3. This statement "Joyous miracle of birth, dark miracle of death. Between the two, a life, a destiny" was made by _____

ANSWER: Mawdo Bâ

CHAPTER 2

4. The three items mentioned that must be taken to the hospital for the washing of Modou Falls dead body are _____, _____ and _____

ANSWER: Incense, eau-de-cologne and cotton wool

5. The only clothing Islam allows for the dead according to the book is _____

ANSWER: White Muslin

6. The women present at the funeral threw up some coins on the fluttering canopy so as to _____

ANSWER: Ward off evil spirits

7. The first offering to heaven for the peaceful repose of the deceased's soul is made up of judiciously mixed _____

ANSWER: Biscuits, sweets and cola nuts

CHAPTER 3

8. What is 'boubou' according to chapter 3 of SO LONG A LETTER?

ANSWER: Original way of using henna to blacken hands and feet by drawing geometrical figures on them.

9. What is the profession of Ramatoulaye?

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ANSWER: A school teacher

10. The Falls are grandchildren of whom?

ANSWER: Damel Madiodio

11. Why was Modou called 'bag of rice' by Ramatoulaye's sister in law?

ANSWER: He would frequently give out a sack of rice

12. The old woman who was emptying leftover red rice into a plastic bag said to the writer _____

ANSWER: "Lady, death is just as beautiful as life has been"

13. What will happen to a dead body on the third day, eight-day and fortieth day according to the Koran as mentioned by the writer?

ANSWER: on the third day, the dead body will swell, on the eighth day it bursts and on the fortieth day it is stripped

14. In the book 'SO LONG A LETTER', the visit of condolence was considered as a

ANSWER: Sacred duty

15. What is the name of Ramatoulaye's co-wife?

ANSWER: Binetou(she lives at SICAP Villa)

CHAPTER 4

16. The SICAP villa was built for who?

ANSWER:Lady mother-in-law(Binetou)

17. Why did Modou abandon the joint account he had with Ramatoulaye?

ANSWER: He wanted to be financially independent so as to have enough elbow room

18. Daba is a _____ to Ramatoulaye

ANSWER: Daughter

CHAPTER 5

19. The writer gave birth to _____ children for Moudou Fall.

ANSWER: 12

20. What does Ramatoulaye think about to overcome her bitterness?

ANSWER: Human destiny

CHAPTER 6

21. Who is Mawdo Bâ to Moudou Fall?

ANSWER: Friend

22. The first pioneers of the promotion of African women were called_____by men.

ANSWER: Scatter-brained

CHAPTER 7

23. The admission policy was based on _____ for the whole of_____

ANSWER: Entrance examination of former French/ West Africa

24. Daouda Dieng (who knew how to win hearts) was working as_____

ANSWER: An African doctor at the polyclinique

CHAPTER 8

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25. 'Marriage is a personal thing' was a statement made by _____ to anyone who cared to hear.

ANSWER: Mawdo Bâ(Aissatou's father)

CHAPTER 9

26. Mawdo Bâ (Aissatou's father) is a son of a _____

ANSWER: Princess

27. The Dakar corniche, one of the most beautiful in West Africa, is a sheer work of art wrought by_____

ANSWER: Nature

28. Complete this statement; There is nothing more beautiful_____

ANSWER: than a fish just out of water

29. The farm which mawdo Bâ inherited from his father is located at_____

ANSWER:Sangalkam

CHAPTER 10

30. _____rose steadily to the top rank in the trade union organizations.

ANSWER: Moudou

31. _____ a practical man, led his unions into collaboration with the government.

ANSWER: Modou

CHAPTER 11

32. Mawdo's mother; Seynabou is a descendant of_____

ANSWER: Bour-sine

33. Farba Diouf; Seynabou's younger brother is a _____

ANSWER: A customary chief in Dhiakhao

34. Saint Louis is the former capital of which country?

ANSWER: Senegal

35. 'You have to come away from Dakar to be convinced of the survival of traditions.' this statement was made by _____

ANSWER: Seynabou(same as Aunty Nabou)

CHAPTER 12

36. Apart from the writer presence and encouragement _____ saved Aissatou.

ANSWER: Books

CHAPTER 13

37. _____ is the name of the writer of the letter.

ANSWER: Ramatoulaye

38. Binetou is heartbroken because she was _____

ANSWER: going to marry her sugar-daddy

39. Binetou is a _____ to Daba

ANSWER: Classmate

CHAPTER 14

49. The old man who was termed as 'sugar daddy' to Binetou is _____

ANSWER: Moudou Bâ

41. Who is referred to as a contemporary of Moudou bâ?

ANSWER: Samba Diack

42. Jacqueline was nicknamed_____

ANSWER: gnac

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CHAPTER 15

43. Mawdo used to call young Nabou_____

ANSWER: Finicky

44. Daba would go to nightclubs late on purpose so as to_____

ANSWER: Sit in full view of her father

45. Ramatoulaye gave the radio the role of _____at night.

ANSWER: comforter

46. Ramatoulaye wasn't divorced by modou Bâ, she was_____

ANSWER: Abandoned

CHAPTER 17

47. The statement 'and Modou was no prisoner' means_____

ANSWER: Modou is free to do what he like

CHAPTER 18

48. Tasmir has_____wives already before showing interest in Ramatoulaye.

ANSWER: Three wives

CHAPTER 19

49. _____ was a deputy at the National assembly.

ANSWER: Daouda Dieng

50. _____ is the name of Daouda Dieng's wife.

ANSWER: Aminata

51. _____prevented Daouda Dieng from expressing himself freely on his second visit to Ramatoulaye

ANSWER: The visit of Ramatoulaye's aunt.

CHAPTER 20

52. The present Daouda Dieng gave to Ousmane was _____

ANSWER: a picture book

53. 'but enough of politics, Ramatoulaye. I refused to go along with you, like the other day I have had my fill of democracy.'" This statement was made by _____

ANSWER: Daouda Dieng

CHAPTER 21

54. Ramatoulaye refuses to marry Daouda Dieng _____ years ago before he comes again to tender another marriage proposal

ANSWER: 30 years

55. _____ encourages Ramatoulaye to accept Daouda Dieng marriage proposal

ANSWER: Farmata, the griot woman of the cowries

56. What statement does Daouda Dieng scrawl on paper after reading Ramatoulaye's letter that was sent to him through Farmata?

ANSWER: 'All or nothing. Audieu'

57. The letter Daouda sent to Ramatoulaye contained _____

ANSWER: money

58. Ramatoulaye (the writer of the letter to Aissatou) gave birth to_____ Children.

ANSWER: 12 children

CHAPTER 22

59. _____ is the last born of Ramatoulaye and how old is he.

ANSWER: Ousmane (6 years old)

60. The substantial age gap between Daba and Mawdo Fall was a result of_____

ANSWER: two miscarriages

61. The name of Daba's husband is_____

ANSWER: Abou

62 Daba is Ramatoulaye's eldest child.

ANSWER: True

63. Omar is _____ years old

ANSWER: 8 years old

64. Ramatoulaye had a set of twins as part of her children, their names are _____ and _____

ANSWER: Amy and Awa

CHAPTER 23

65. The name of Ramatoulaye's trio (as they are popularly known) are _____, _____ and _____

ANSWER: Arame, Yacine and Dieynaba

66. The instruction 'whoever does not believe you should scram' was made by who?

ANSWER: Ramatoulaye's grandfather

67. 'you can feed your stomach as well as you please, it will still provide for itself without your knowing' this statement was made by:

ANSWER: Ranatoulaye's grandmother

CHAPTER 24

68. Complete this statement standing on the veranda I see my sons _____ and _____ arriving in two tears.

ANSWER: Alioune and Malick

69. Alioune and Malick sustained an injury from _____

ANSWER: Motorcycle accident

70. _____ impregnate Aissatou; Ranatoulaye's daughter.

ANSWER: Ibrahim Sall

CHAPTER 25

71. Farmata was present at the discussion of Ibrahim Sall and Ranatoulaye, what did she ask first from him?

ANSWER: 'You were really the first?

CHAPTER 26

72. Among the siblings of Aissatou; Ramatoulaye's daughter who got pregnant for Ibrahim Sall, _____, _____ & _____ refuses to accept his intrusion.

ANSWER: The trio (Arame, Yacine, and Dieynaba)

73. Farmata describes Ibrahim Sall as _____

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ANSWER: 'Cocksure', 'shameless'

CHAPTER 27

74. Ramatoulaye claimed she riding a school by taking an interest in_____

ANSWER: Current world affairs

75. Love is perfect as it may be in its content and expression remains the natural Link between two beings. The concept 'this two beings is referring to_____

ANSWER: man and woman

76. The success of a nation, therefore, depends inevitably on the_____

ANSWER: Family

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77. Despite everything is appointments and humiliations of Ramatoulaye she has not _____

ANSWER: Given up

NOTES:

- Mawdo Bâ is the only son of Seynabou but he has two sisters.
- Mawdo's mother; Seynabou is a goldsmith daughter.
- The catholic celebrate Whitsun in popenguine.
- The author of the book is Mariama Ba
- The book is published in 1989

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