



MIDTERM EXAMINATION
GE 709 – THE LIFE AND WORKS OF RIZAL

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MULTIPLE CHOICE: Encircle the letter of the best answer.

1. Rizal's first novel, which exposed the immoralities and inequities of the Spanish Catholic friars and government officials during his time.
a. El Filibusterismo
b. Noli Me Tangere
c. My husband's lover
d. Count of Monte Cristo
2. The Filipino theologian and priest with a penname Justo Desiderio Magalang who countered the claim that Noli's author was an ignorant man.
a. Padre Salvi
b. Vicente Garcia
c. Bernardino Nozaleda
d. Antonio Rosell
3. The main antagonist of the novel about Noli Me Tangere.
a. Padre Damaso
b. Padre Salvi
c. Padre Gomez
d. Padre Zamora
4. The character in Noli Me Tangere that represents the small group of Filipinos who had a chance to study abroad.
a. Elias
b. Sisa
c. Basilio
d. Ibarra
5. Rizal deleted this chapter of the Noli Me Tangere to economize its printing.
a. In the woods
b. The Supper
c. Elias and Salome
d. Memories
6. The governor -General who summoned Rizal to the Malacanang Palace because of the petition against Noli.
a. Emilio Aguinaldo
b. Emilio Jacinto
c. Emilio Terrero
d. Emilio Garcia
7. The character that represents rich Filipinos who opted to be allies of Spanish officials and friars just to preserve their wealth and political position.
a. Capitan Inggo
b. Capitan Elias
c. Capitan Basilio
d. Capitan Tiago
8. What is the title of Noli Me Tangere in English?
a. Don't hurt me
b. Touch me not
c. Don't leave me
d. Don't touch me
9. What is the main theme of the Noli Me Tangere?
a. Love and romance
b. Social justice and reform
c. Family and friendship
d. Politics and revolution
10. Who is the main character of the Noli Me Tangere?
a. Juan Crisostomo Ibarra
b. Elias
c. Padre Damaso
d. Maria Clara
11. Who is the author's inspiration for the character of Elias?
a. Andres Bonifacio
b. Emilio Aguinaldo
c. Apolinario Mabini
d. A Filipino revolutionary
12. How does Rizal critique the character of Padre Damaso during the Spanish colonial government?
a. By portraying him as kind and compassionate priest
b. By showing his corruption and abusive power
c. By highlighting his intelligence and wisdom
d. By depicting him as a loyal servant
13. What is the significance of the Noli Me Tangere's ending?
a. It represents the triumph over evil
b. It symbolizes the struggle of the Philippine independence
c. It signifies corrupt Spanish government
d. It embodies the theme of social justice
14. What is the significance of the character of Sisa in the novel?
a. She represents the ideal Filipino mother
b. She symbolizes the struggle of Philippine Independence
c. She serves as a foil to Maria Clara's character
d. She embodies the theme of social justice
15. How does Rizal use the novel to critique the social class system of the time?
a. by portraying the upper class
b. by showing the social mobility
c. by highlighting the social constraints
d. by depicting the upper class
16. What is the overall impact of Noli Me Tangere?
a. It promoted the Spanish colonial government
b. It sparked the Philippine revolution
c. It raised awareness about social injustices
d. It had no significant impact

17. How effective is the novel in exposing the corruption and abuse of power of the Spanish colonial government?
- Very effective
 - Somewhat effective
 - Not very effective
 - Not at all effective
18. How does the novel portray the relationship between the Filipino people and the Spanish colonial government?
- As mutually beneficial
 - As oppressive and exploitative
 - As neutral and partial
 - As complex and exploitative
19. What would be the title of your painting about Noli Me Tangere?
- The struggle for freedom
 - The corruption of the Spanish government
 - The suffering of the Filipino people
 - The triumph of justice
20. Who is the main protagonist of the novel El Filibusterismo?
- Juan Crisostomo Ibarra
 - Simoun
 - Isagani
 - Basilio
21. What is the name of the student leader who became involved in the revolution?
- Isagani
 - Basilio
 - Tano
 - Cabesang Tales
22. What is the name of the poor and sickly boy who became a symbol of the suffering of the Filipino people in the novel?
- Basilio
 - Cabesang Tales
 - Tano
 - Crispin
23. What is the name of the novel that is sequel to Noli Me Tangere?
- The reign of Greed
 - El Filibusterismo
 - Noli Me Tangere
 - The social cancer
24. What is the message of the El Filibusterismo about the importance of education in the Philippine society?
- Education is unnecessary
 - Education is essential for the progress and development
 - Education is only for elite
 - Education is only for social
25. What is the significance of the character of Isagani in El Filibusterismo?
- He represents the ideal Filipino citizen
 - He symbolizes the struggle for Philippine independence
 - He serves as a foil to Simoun's character
 - He embodies the theme of social justice
26. What is the primary theme of El Filibusterismo?
- Love and relationship
 - Personal revenge and betrayal
 - Social justice and reform
 - National identity and patriotism
27. What is the role of the character of Basilio in the novel?
- He represents the struggle for social justice and reform
 - He serves as the character of Simoun
 - He is a symbol of the destructive power
 - He is a minor character
28. How does El Filibusterismo novel portray the relationship between the Filipino people and the Spanish colonial government?
- It depicts harmonious relationship
 - It shows relationship marked by tension and oppression
 - It portrays mutual respect
 - It depicts a relationship of indifferent
29. What is the significance of the character of Simoun in the novel of El Filibusterismo?
- He represents the voice of reason and moderation
 - He is the symbol of corrupt and oppression
 - He is a catalyst for social unrest and revolution
 - He is a minor character
30. How does the novel El Filibusterismo evaluate the effectiveness of violent revolution as a means of achieving social change?
- It portrays violent revolution
 - It shows violent revolution as a flawed and misguided approach
 - Last resort but not only solution
 - It does not address the issue
31. This was serialized on September 30, October 31, December 15, 1889 and February 15, 1890 in fortnightly review La Solidaridad of Madrid.
- Philippine Century Hence
 - El Filibusterismo
 - Noli Me Tangere
 - Antonio Morga's Successos Islas Filipinas
32. The place where Rizal met the German traveler and Professor Feodor Jagor.
- Japan
 - Berlin
 - Hongkong
 - Madrid
33. The Spanish priest in Malolos who opposed the establishment of a school where young women could learn Spanish.
- Padre Damaso
 - Padre Gomez
 - Padre Felipe Garcia
 - Padre Burgos
34. What is the main goal of the Philippine Centennial Commission?
- To promote tourism in the Philippines
 - To preserve historical landmarks
 - To promote national unity and pride
 - To raise funds
35. What was the role of the government during the centennial celebration?
- To provide funding
 - To promote unity and pride
 - To preserve historical landmarks
 - To coordinate the celebration with the private sector
36. How did the Philippine centennial celebration in 1998 impact the country's economy?
- It increased tourist arrival
 - It promoted the country's cultural heritage
 - It showcased the country's historical landmarks
 - It generated revenue for the government
37. What is the centennial theme of Jose Rizal's essay Philippine Century Hence?
- The importance of education in the Philippine society
 - The potential of the Philippines to become prosperous nation
 - The impact of colonialism on Philippine culture
 - The need for Philippine Independence

38. Who is considered the national hero of the Philippines?
a. Jose Rizal
b. Emilio Aguinaldo
c. Andres Bonifacio.
d. Apolinario Mabini
39. What is the primary goal of the propaganda movement led by Jose Rizal?
a. To advocate for Philippine Independence
b. To promote Spanish colonial rule
c. To reform the Spanish colonial government
d. To establish a new government
40. Who is the founder of the La Liga Filipina an organization that aimed to promote reforms in the Philippines?
a. Jose Rizal
b. Andres Bonifacio
c. Emilio Aguinaldo
d. Apolinario Mabini
41. What was the name of the newspaper that Jose Rizal and his friends published to promote reforms in the Philippines?
a. El Filibusterismo
b. Noli Me Tangere
c. La Solidaridad
d. The Philippine Gazette
42. Who was the governor-general of the Philippines during the time of Jose Rizal execution?
a. Ramon Blanco
b. Camilo Polavieja
c. Emilio Aguinaldo
d. Apolinario Mabini
43. What is the name of the monument that was built in honor of Jose Rizal in Luneta Park ?
a. Rizal Monument
b. Jose Rizal Memorial Monument
c. The Philippine National Monument
d. The Rizal Shrine
44. Who wrote the poem "Mi Ultimo Adios" which was Jose Rizal's farewell poem?
a. A. Jose Rizal
b. Andres bonifacio
c. Emilio Aguinaldo
d. Apolinario mabini
45. What is the significance of Jose Rizal's life and works in the context of Philippine nationalism?
a. He advocates for Spanish colonial rule
b. He promoted the use of the Spanish language
c. He inspired the Philippine revolution
d. He was Filipino historian
46. How did Rizal's experience in Europe influence his views on Philippine nationalism?
a. He became supportive of the Spanish rule
b. He become more critical
c. He became more convinced
d. He became more radical in his views
47. How did Jose Rizal's execution affect the Philippine revolution?
a. It led to a decline in revolutionary fervor
b. It had no impact on the revolution
c. It galvanized support for the revolution
d. It led to a split in the revolutionary movement
48. What was the role of Propaganda movement in the development of Philippine nationalism?
a. It promoted Spanish colonial rule
b. It had no impact on the development of nationalism
c. It advocated for violence
d. It advocated peace
49. Design a national monument for Jose Rizal .What features would you include?
a. A statue of Jose Rizal with a book and a pen
b. A replica of the Rizal's hometown
c. A museum showcasing Rizal's life and works
d. All of the above
50. Create a new national symbol for the Philippines that incorporates elements of Jose Rizal's life and legacy .What would it Be?
a. A coat of arms featuring Rizal's signature
b. A national flower inspired by Rizal's love of nature
c. A flag with an image of Rizal's face
d. A monument featuring Rizal's famous novels

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