**Period Four Study Guide**

**Hamlet**

*The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark*

**Characters**

**Hamlet** – The prince of Denmark. A young man and a college student who has returned home for his father’s funeral. He is extremely unhappy at his father’s death and the fact that his mother has married his uncle in less than a month after the death of his father.

**King Claudius** – The king of Denmark. He was the younger brother of the previous king, and usurped his throne, by murdering him and marrying his wife. At the beginning of the play no one knows he murdered his brother, and he generally acts like a nice person.

**Queen Gertrude** – The queen of Denmark. Although she married Claudius shortly after her husband’s death, she did not know that he murdered him.

**King Hamlet** – Although he is already dead at the start of the play, he is a ghost. Apparently, he can appear at night and speak to the living. During the day, he roasts in the fires of purgatory since he died without last rites.

**Polonius** – An elderly advisor to the king. He is considered by analysts to be a fool. He is the father of Laertes, and also of Ophelia, who is currently Hamlet’s girlfriend.

**Laertes** – The son of Polonius and brother to Ophelia. He is a college student, and at the beginning of the play he returns to France. He is protective of his sister.

**Ophelia** – The daughter of Polonius. She is currently Hamlet’s girlfriend. Her father and her brother are both concerned about this because they fear she might become pregnant, and then Hamlet might have to enter an arranged marriage.

**Horatio** – Hamlet’s best friend from college. He arrives too late for the father’s funeral, but finds out about the ghost, and tells Hamlet about it. He is Hamlet’s confidant in his scheming against his uncle.

**Rosencrantz & Guildenstern** – Two of Hamlet’s other friends from college. However, unlike Horatio, their appearance at the castle is not one of friendship. They were summoned to the castle by Claudius in order to spy on him.

**Fortinbras** – The Prince of Norway. He wants to go to war against Denmark, but is convinced by his uncle to attack Poland instead. There appears to be a slight similarity in situation with him and Hamlet.

Hamlet, Prince of…

1. Where did Hamlet meet Rosencrantz, Guildenstern, & Horatio?
2. Why is Hamlet upset with Ophelia during the play?
3. How was Hamlet’s father murdered?
4. In what country does the play take place?
5. Where is Laertes returning to early in the play?
6. Who are Marcellus, Barnardo, and Francisco?
7. Before Hamlet meets his father’s ghost, what is he upset about?
8. Why do Laertes & Polonius tell Ophelia to avoid Hamlet?
9. Who is Claudius?
10. Who is Gertrude?
11. What does Hamlet wear to indicate that he is depressed?
12. What does the Ghost tell Hamlet to do?
13. Why is Hamlet upset at his mother?
14. Hamlet tells the guards and Horatio that his plan is to do what?
15. Name a reason why Hamlet is upset at himself.

**The Prince Test**

1. Niccolo Machiavelli came from which Italian town?
2. Why might Machiavelli not have liked Lorenzo Di Medici?
3. What is the modern definition of ‘Machiavellian’?
4. What two animals must a Prince emulate to be successful?
5. Why do some people believe that The Prince is a satire, and that Machiavelli was being sarcastic?
6. What must a Prince do to avoid being assassinated or overthrown?
7. Who was another famous writer from Machiavelli’s town?
8. What is the justification for a King/Queen’s rule in a monarchy?
9. Therefore, what cold-blooded action does Machiavelli recommend if one conquers a monarchy?
10. What makes a Feudal Monarchy easier to conquer than an Absolute Monarchy?
11. What are several ways of handling a newly conquered ‘Free State’?
12. In 1688, William of Orange (a Dutchman) was invited by English Protestants to take over their country. According to Machiavelli, what problem would he face after the takeover?
13. After the battle of Pharsalus in 48 BC, Julius Caesar forgave the Senators who had fought against him in the Civil War and allowed them to return to office. Why would Machiavelli consider this a mistake?
14. However, Caesar’s adopted son, Octavian, had 300 Senators and Office Holders killed immediately after he took control of Rome. Machiavelli would approve of this action as long as Octavian did not do what?
15. Is it better to be generous or parsimonious? Why?
16. In 1814, Andrew Jackson launched an unplanned night attack on British soldiers who had just landed in Louisiana. Would Machiavelli have approved of this action? Why?
17. In the Scottish War for Independence, King Robert the Bruce confiscated the castles of his enemies. Why would Machiavelli consider this a mistake?
18. Henry V’s two predecessors had several rebellions launched against their rule. Immediately after becoming King, Henry declared war on France. Why would Machiavelli approve of this action?
19. King Shaka Zulu tricked the witch doctors of his kingdom into lying to him and then had them all executed. Why would Machiavelli approve of this action?
20. Kings Edward II and Henry VI of England had ‘favorites’ who they had as advisors. Eventually both men were overthrown by their discontented people. What mistake did they make?

**Miller’s Crossing Test**

**Bernie Bernbaum** “Drop” Johnson **Eddie Dane** Frankie & Tic-Tac

**Johnny Caspar** Lazaro **Leo O’Bannon** **Mink Larouie**

“Rug” Daniels **The Mayor Tom Regan Verna Bernbaum**

1. This character is Eddie Dane’s lover.

2. This character is never seen nor heard in the entire film.

3. This character is usually seen with Sheriff O’Doole.

4. This character is stealing fixed fight information from Caspar.

5. This character is beaten up by Eddie Dane, so that he can figure out what Tom is doing.

6. This character kills 4 other mobsters with a Tommy Gun while listening to “Danny Boy”.

7. This character is killed by Johnny Caspar.

8. This character owes Lazaro money.

9. This character is cheating on Leo O’Bannon.

10. This character is only seen after he is killed.

11. These characters are thugs who work for Johnny Caspar.

12. This character is the Italian Mob boss.

13. “You want me to stop seeing, Leo? Just ask.”

14. “Leo, you don’t hold elected office. You run this town because people think you run it. Once they stop thinking it, you stop running it.”

15. “If I leave, I have nothing. If I stay, I have you. I have you, Tom.”

16. “Can’t a guy have more than one friend? An amigo?”

17. “I’m sick of you giving me the high hat!”

18. “I can give them jobs. Good Jobs. Jobs where they won’t have to perform any work, where their lack of English won’t be an issue.”

19. “We’re getting married. She asked me.”

20. “I am gonna send you to a deep, dark place, and I am going to enjoy doing it!”

21. What is the setting of the movie?

22. What is the name of the city where the events take place?

23. What is the name of the place where people are taken to be killed?

24. Which three characters are homosexual?

25. What is an antihero?

**The Quoran (Al-Baqarah)**

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| 1. | What does Al-Baqarah mean? |
| a. | Cow | c. | Faithful |
| b. | Dog | d. | Heaven |
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| 2. | Which angel narrates to the author of the Quoran? |
| a. | Gabriel | c. | Michael |
| b. | Raphael | d. | Uriel |
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| 3. | What is the name of the author of the Quoran? |
| a. | Al-Ghazali | c. | Mohammed |
| b. | Suleiman | d. | Saladin |
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| 4. | Which of the following is not an Abrahamic religion? |
| a. | Christianity | c. | Islam |
| b. | Hinduism | d. | Judaism |
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| 5. | What is the belief that every event in life is inevitable? |
| a. | Hedonism | c. | Fatalism |
| b. | Stoicism | d. | Epicureanism |
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| 6. | What caused Satan to rebel against God? |
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| 7. | Adam and Eve were cast out of where? |
| a. | Eden | c. | Hy-Brazil |
| b. | Heaven | d. | Elysium |
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| 8. | Which character from the Old Testament is the most important with regards to Islam? |
| a. | Noah | c. | Moses |
| b. | Lot | d. | Solomon |
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| 9. | What is a Covenant? |
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| 10. | What causes the author to believe that God’s existence is self-evident? |
| a. | Because God speaks to everyone | c. | He demonstrates how the world could not exist without God. |
| b. | Because the world seems to be made for people. | d. | Because miracles appear daily. |
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| 11. | What is the word for someone who worships physical things? |
| a. | Pagan | c. | Idolater |
| b. | Heretic | d. | Narcissist |
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| 12. | When Moses left the Jews for a few days, some of them began to worship what? |
| a. | Zeus | c. | Satan |
| b. | A Golden Cow | d. | Themselves |
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| 13. | Which body of water did Moses manage to cut in half? |
| a. | Mediterranean Sea | c. | Black Sea |
| b. | Caspian Sea | d. | Red Sea |
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| 14. | What is the Islamic version of a Rabbi or Priest? |
| a. | Oracle | c. | Patriarch |
| b. | Imam | d. | Sear |
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| 15. | How many levels does Heaven have? |
| a. | Three | c. | Seven |
| b. | Five | d. | Eleven |
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| 16. | Abraham was…… |
| a. | A Christian | c. | The first to make a covenant with God. |
| b. | First to climb Mt. Olympus | d. | A follower of Mohammed. |
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| 17. | In Islam, Jesus is a  |
| a. | King | c. | God |
| b. | Nobody | d. | Prophet |
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| 18. | Who are the ‘successful’? |
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| 19. | Who are the losers? |
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| 20. | The writer of the Quron lived in what place? |
| a. | Arabia | c. | Greece |
| b. | Iran | d. | Egypt |
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| 21. | Around what year was the Quoran written? |
| a. | 900 BC | c. | 600 AD |
| b. | 100 AD | d. | 1300 AD |
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| 22 | What is often used as a symbol for Islam? |
| a. | A Five Pointed Star | c. | A Cross |
| b. | A Six Pointed Star | d. | A Crescent Moon |
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| 23. | What science was heavily influenced by Islam? |
| a. | Algebra | c. | Biology |
| b. | Paleontology | d. | Chemistry |
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| 24. | What is the term for an Abrahamic ending of the world? |
| a. | Ragnarok | c. | Escalation |
| b. | Gotterdamrung | d. | Apocalypse |
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| 25. | Who was the first human being according to Arabic scripture? |

**Martin Luther King Quiz**

**I HAVE A DREAM**

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| 1. | Where was MLK’s speech delivered? |
| a. | Washington Memorial | c. | Capitol Building |
| b. | Lincoln Memorial | d. | White House |
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| 2. | What is segregation? |
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| 3. | What type of literary technique does MLK use frequently in his speeches? |
| a. | Hyperbole | c. | Metaphor |
| b. | Personification | d. | Double Entendre |
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| 4. | What other literary technique does MLK rely upon? |
| a. | Deus Ex Machina | c. | Alliteration |
| b. | Schadenfreude | d. | Redundancy |
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| 5. | What word does he capitalize in his speech? |
| a. | Now | c. | Equality |
| b. | Rights | d. | Life |
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| 6. | What does MLK tell his followers about protesting? |
| a. | They should act superior | c. | They should run away |
| b. | They should fight | d. | They should be non-violent |
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| 7. | What song does he reference at the end of his speech? |
| a. | America the Beautiful | c. | The National Anthem |
| b. | My Country Tis Of Thee | d. | Wrecking Ball |
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| 8. | Several of the hills mentioned at the end of his speech were….. |
| a. | The largest in the country | c. | Northern hills |
| b. | Foreign hills | d. | Civil War battlefields |
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| 9. | MLK compares the false promises of the United States to African-Americans to what type of institution? |
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| 10. | Give an example of an image used in his speech that was NOT a metaphor. |
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| **The Power of Non-Violence** |
| 11. | At the beginning of the speech he talks of the boycott marches in what city? |
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| 12. | What type of love is brotherly love? |
| a. | Schadenfreude | c. | Philia |
| b. | Eros | d. | Agape |
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| 13. | MLK says that if the African-Americans succeed in getting their freedoms, who wins? |
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| 14. | MLK says that the African-American community must not do what to the white community? |
| a. | Boycott them | c. | Challenge them |
| b. | Humiliate them | d. | Shame them |
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| 15. | According to MLK, how does Non-violence work? |
| a. | It exposes racists as bad people | c. | It gets the law to do the job. |
| b. | It causes its opponents to become friends | d. | It forces the ignorant to give up. |
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| 16. | What religion is MLK? |
| a. | Christian | c. | Islamic |
| b. | Jewish | d. | Buddhist |
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| 17. | What is gradualism |
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| 18. | How is this speech very different from “I Have a Dream”? |
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| 19. | What does he mean when he says that people should be maladjusted? |
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| 20. | Which of the following was NOT mentioned as a maladjusted individual? |
| a. | Amos | c. | Jesus |
| b. | Jefferson | d. | Washington |
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