

1984 Part One Quiz

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Part A

Directions: Read each Newspeak word and match it to the definition in the right-hand column. Write the letter for the matching definition beside the number.

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| 1. doubleplusungood | _____ | a. to wear an improper expression |
| 2. doublethink | _____ | b. Incorporated Society |
| 3. duckspeak | _____ | c. before filing |
| 4. facecrime | _____ | d. both praise and abuse |
| 5. INGSOC | _____ | e. to hold two contradictory views at the same time |
| | | f. English Socialism |
| | | g. very bad |
| | | h. to think about things twice |
| | | i. Ministry of Love |

Part B

Directions: Read each of the following questions. Choose the best answer and circle the letter.

“It was somehow slightly frightening, like the gamboling of tiger cubs which will soon grow up into man-eaters. There was a sort of calculating ferocity in the boy’s eye, a quite evident desire to hit or kick Winston . . .”

6. Which literary device does Orwell use in the passage above?
a) simile b) metaphor c) personification d) allusion
7. The impact of using this technique to describe Parson’s children is:
a) to make the children seem cute and cuddly
b) to make them seem angry
c) to make them appear innocent with the potential of becoming dangerous
d) to make them appear bratty
8. What is Winston’s job at the Ministry of Truth?
a) to dictate Big Brother’s latest speeches into the speakwrite
b) to review issues of the Times and find errors
c) to rewrite history according to the Party’s needs
d) to monitor the behavior of his comrade, Tillotson, in the cubicle across the hall.
9. Who is Comrade Ogilvy?
a) an enemy of the party, whom Winston creates in a speech supposedly given by Big Brother
b) a fellow employee who is competing with Winston to rewrite a speech by Big Brother
c) a perfect party member, who works across from Winston in the Ministry of Truth
d) a perfect party member, whom Winston creates in a speech supposedly given by Big Brother

10. Why does Winston think that Syme will be vaporized?
- a) Syme sees too clearly, speaks too plainly, knows too much
 - b) Syme complains too much about the Party
 - c) Syme often meets with prostitutes in the Prole area of London
 - d) Syme wants to control the Newspeak language
11. What is the ultimate purpose of Newspeak?
- a) to make the jobs in the Ministry of Truth easier by reducing the number of words
 - b) to make thoughtcrime impossible
 - c) to make newspapers easier for the uneducated proles to understand
 - d) to force the members of the Party to learn a new language
12. What made the glass paperweight in the antique shop doubly attractive to Winston?
- a) its apparent uselessness
 - b) the piece of coral trapped inside it
 - c) its size and feel
 - d) its price
13. How does doublethink allow the Party to control the population?
- a) it makes them able to think of two things at once, so they are more efficient
 - b) it matches Newspeak
 - c) it makes people think twice as long, so they are more intelligent
 - d) it makes people ignore contradictions, so that they don't think for themselves.
14. The telescreen, "an oblong metal plaque like a dulled mirror," had the capacity to:
- a) read one's thoughts
 - b) receive and transmit simultaneously
 - c) be turned off
 - d) see every inch of the room in which it was mounted
15. "Hallways (smelling) of boiled cabbage and old rag mats," elevators (the lift) not working, and electrical current that is shut off during daylight hours. This is a description of:
- a) The Ministry of Love
 - b) Airstrip One
 - c) the Ministry of Truth
 - d) Victory Mansions
16. Owning a diary was:
- a) not illegal
 - b) punishable by death
 - c) punishable by at least 25 years in a forced labor camp
 - d) all of the above
17. What was the first thing Winston wrote about in his diary?
- a) "down with Big Brother"
 - b) "to the future or to the past"
 - c) "theyll shoot me i don't care theyll shoot me in the back of the neck"
 - d) April 4th, 1984 Last night to the flicks."

18. What did the scarlet sash that the dark-haired girl wore around her waist symbolize?

- a) Inner Party b) the Youth League c) the Spies d) Junior Anti-Sex League

20. “Now that he recognized himself as a dead man it became important to stay alive as long as possible.”
By this Winston means:

- a) that it is only a matter of time before the thought police will discover his diary and kill him
b) that his life was so empty he was metaphorically “dead”
c) that he could not longer think clearly or accurately, so he was “dead”

21. The following is true about the proles **EXCEPT:**

- a. The Thought Police moved always among them, spreading false rumors
b. An attempt was made to indoctrinate them with ideology of the Party.
c. The Party taught that the proles were natural inferiors who must be kept in subjection, like animals
d. If there is hope it lies with the proles

22. Winston is

- a) single
b) married but he doesn't know where his wife is
c) married and his wife lives with him
d) a widower

23. “To know and not know, to be conscious of complete truthfulness while telling carefully constructed lies, to hold simultaneously two opinions which cancelled out, knowing them to be contradictory and believing in both of them. . .” This is description of:

- a) newspeak b) doublethink c) thought crime d) lying

24. “Who controls the past controls the future: who controls the present controls the past.” This is:

- a) the foundation of Goldsteinism b) a slogan of the Party
c) the foundation of the Brotherhood d) a phrase Winston coined

25. “When one knew that any document was due for destruction, or even when one saw a scrap of waste paper lying about, it was an automatic action to lift the flap of the nearest memory hole and drop it in.”
What was a memory hole?

- a) a chute leading to a documents department that filed the papers
b) a chute leading to a large furnace, which burned the papers
c) a chute leading to the ministry of Education, where people were forced to memorize the information