

CLEAR- Cahoots-Like Event at Rutgers

Nordic Literature (Tossup-Bonus)

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1. In one section of this work, a woman relates the belief of a Dr. Sass that before the fall, the world was flat and that Satan created the third dimension; in another part of this work, a Cardinal compares the God of the debased modern world to Louis Philippe, and tells a story in which Barabbas asks Peter to sell him the wine of the Last Supper. One section of this work ends with Kasparsen revealing to Miss Malin Nat-og-Dag that he has killed Cardinal Hamilcar to take his place. In another section, a youth plots with his aunt, a Prioress, to rape Athena and obtain her promise to marry Boris; that section ends with the revelation that the Prioress had been a monkey all along. Consisting of such stories as “The Roads Round Pisa”, “The Monkey”, and “The Deluge at Norderney”, this is, FTP, what short story collection written by Isak Dinesen?

ANSWER: Seven Gothic Tales [accept Syv Fantastiske Fortællinger, even though it was published in English first; accept “The Monkey” before “Cardinal compares”, prompt afterwards]

2. Among the pastimes of this character late in his life are sitting in a perfectly dark room, waiting to stomp on rats as they come near, as well as discussing the news of the day with the simpleton Anselmo. During a two-day battle, this character chases down a figure hidden in a cellar and kills that man with his rapier, on which he keeps the blood. This character was once thrown in the dungeon for conducting a fake mass at which he declared Christ’s blood burnt like his as he drank it and prayed God to destroy the world. When confronted by his mistress, this character declares that if he were to love anyone, it would be Boccarossa. This character decapitated a kitten belonging to Angelica as she slept, which presages his involvement in the decapitation in similar circumstances of her lover, Giovanni, whose father, Il Toro, along with the Princess’s lover, Don Riccardo, this character poisoned at a banquet at the behest of his master, the Prince. FTP, identify this 26-inch-tall title character of a Pär Lagerkvist novel.

ANSWER: The Dwarf [or Piccoline or Piccolino]

3. In one work by this author, Mathilde writes a novel describing the title characters to reunite them, as Laura and Axel have barely spoken in a year since Axel took Laura from her parents. In another work of this author, Frederick tries to wed the maid he impregnated against his father’s wishes, while Hans and Kampe are attacking the title plan of that man, Riis. In addition to *The Newly-Married Couple* and *The New System*, another work of this author sees a landslide averted by the power of a faithful man’s church bell ringing, though his prayers only allow his wife to get out of bed for a brief moment before she dies, and in another play by the same title, the son of that religious couple, blows up a castle, killing dozens of industrialists in an effort to support a factory strike. Those plays are about Klara, Adolf, Rachel, and Elias Sang, *Beyond Our Power*. FTP, name this Norwegian playwright, one of the “Four Greats”.

ANSWER: Bjornstjerne Bjornson

4. In one work by this author, Deacon Per can only respond to the philosophical arguments of the title character by misquoting the introduction to an elementary Latin grammar; the title character of that work by this author is tricked into taking money from a lieutenant, thus being inducted into the army. In another work by this author of *Erasmus Montanus*, legal disputes over ownership of land washed away by a river and the use of beaver hair and a threatened sailor’s strike, are used by Sanderus and Abrahams to teach a loud-mouthed pewterer about governance. In another play by this author, Nille uses a whip, named “Master Erich” after the overseer, to keep the title drunk in line, but, in the end, that man spends the four rix-dollars the Baron gives him on alcohol, after the Baron tricks him into thinking that he was the baron for a day and then into thinking that he had been dead and brought back to life by a court. FTP, name this Dano-Norwegian author of *The Political Tinker* and *Jeppe of the Hill*.

ANSWER: Ludvig Holberg

5. In one work by this author, Adam is said to be 90-feet-tall and to have had have sex with his shadow, causing God to create Eve; that work is interspersed with encyclopedic asides about plants, animals, and an airship. Another work by this author features a debate in a cave in which propagation of electricity is compared with spread of God’s light, while in another, a character lectures on the superiority of the Nordic peoples as stemming from their marine diet. In one work by this author, Ole Worm befriends the protagonist, who is persecuted by the sheriff Ari Magnusson and spends most of the novel isolated on a small rock, Jonas Palmason. In addition to *From the Mouth of the Whale*, this author wrote a novel in which a voyage to ship paper to Turkey mirrors the voyage of the Argo and another novel in which Herb-Fridrik lives with Abba, who has Down syndrome and her father, Skugga Baldur, hunts the title animal. FTP, name this Icelandic author of *The Whispering Muse* and *The Blue Fox* and frequent Björk collaborator.

ANSWER: Sjon [or Sigurjon Birgir Sigurdsson; prompt on “Sigurjon”, even though patronymics are not surnames in Iceland]

6. This novel ends with a note from the censor Hung Paipho warning against reading this work. This novel’s narrator mediates a marital dispute over Togo Bahara’s distrust of Kadidja Kappori after she reports him for treason. Another character in this novel breaks down and tells her husband about the concerns she had of losing her son Ossu and of eventually losing Maryl and Laila when they go to the child camps. Tuareg is toppled in the power struggles of the police chief of Chemistry City No. 4, Karrek, which Leo becomes involved in due to his namesake invention. This novel’s narrator is at first jealous of his supervisor, because of a feared affair between that man and his wife Linda, and ultimately he reports Rissen for thought-crimes against the Worldstate, administering his namesake drug before the latter’s execution. This novel’s narrator is sent on a mission to Lavris Taking its name from the truth-telling serum developed by Leo Kall, this is, FTP, what dystopian novel by Karin Boye?

ANSWER: Kallocain

7. One character in this story relates a myth about the image of a pair of lovers pierced by the same spear etched into a rock by a lightning flash, and later that same character tells of a maiden drained of all her blood by a monster, who is resuscitated when her lover touches her. One character in this work has a drunken vision of a leather tower, where Satan reveals to him his plans for the whole world, while another becomes drunk while stuck with several other men atop a rock for three days, after being chased there by wild bulls. In addition to Simeoni and Lauri, another character in this work picks a fight with Tuomas over the use of beer in a sauna, causing their house to burn down shortly after they move out to Impivaara, to avoid the stocks for refusing to learn to read. Juhani, Eero, and Aapo are among the title siblings of, FTP, what early Finnish novel by Aleksis Kivi?

ANSWER: Seven Brothers [or Seitsemän Veljestä]

8. One character in this work dreams that a woman replaces his entrails with twigs, but in a coma he dreams that the process is reversed; An Twig-Belly's dreams precede and follow a battle in which one foster-brother kills the other. One woman in this work feigns muteness before telling the man who purchased her, Hoskuld Dala-Kolsson, that she is the Irish king's daughter; another woman in this work induces her brother Thorolf to take the sword "King's Gift" from a man she once loved and later she herself steals a golden bridal wreath from Hrefna. The first of those women, Melkorka, gives birth to one of this saga's heroes, who himself in turn fathers Kjartan and raises Bolli, who kill one another after the latter marries the woman that the former loved. That woman had four husbands, coinciding with a series of dreams she had as a teenager about a head-dress, two rings, and a helmet. Primarily about brotherly conflict and the lives of Olaf Peacock and Gudrun Osvifursdottir, this is, FTP, what Icelandic saga named for a river valley?

ANSWER: Laxdaela Saga [or The Saga of the People of Laxardalr]

9. One character in this work cannot stand to hunt after his experiences in World War II, which included dragging a wounded friend through a Nazi-occupied city, shooting Germans along the way. That character is Harry, though the title character of this work refers to him as Alexander. A church in this work has a carved head which stares down on whomever is standing in the pulpit, a fact which both haunts and amuses the title character, and a propeller shaft hung outside of it to memorialize Erik, whose ship was blown up by a mine just off the coast. Oluf returns to Sando only to find his fiancée has called off their engagement, a fact which this novel's title character refuses to act on, despite his love for Annemari. The island's schoolteacher, Johannes Vig, is the title character, in part because he had misled Annemari about his past romance with Birte. FTP, name this novel by Martin Hansen about a deceitful man.

ANSWER: The Liar [or Logneren]

10. One character in this work claims to hear the dishes talking early each morning before anyone else has awoken; that character becomes a singer in the US because of a conversation his mother had with elves. In addition to Nonni, another character in this work finds his son Helgi picked apart by ravens after a thaw and leaves his son Gvenor to fight with a striking union. Another character in this novel only finds comfort by putting her mouth on a spot on the protagonist's neck, which she only does once after becoming impregnated by an unnamed teacher lodging with her. This novel's protagonist rides across the Glacier River on the back of a reindeer, which causes him to miss the death of Rosa, an event which is attributed to the curse of Gunnvor and Kolumkilli. Rosa's daughter by Ingolfur Arnason Jonsson, Asta, is raised by this novel's protagonist, a sheep farmer who seeks to be one of the title group. FTP, name this novel about Bjarfur of Summerhouses, a work by Halldor Laxness.

ANSWER: Independent People [or Sjálfstætt Folk]

11. One character in this work describes himself as fog, unable to do right, despite knowing what it is, in comparison to his son, lightning. Late in this work, three men go out to sell luxury items in a mining town, after the mine is shut down, a successful venture which sees Aaronsen curse Andersen, who took over Storborg from him. Fru Heyerdahl, the sheriff's wife, condemns the men who make laws punishing unwed mothers in a speech at the trial of another character in this work, who claims that her son died as she gave birth after falling in a creek. Barbro's infanticide contrasts with another in this work, which occurs after Os-Anders shows her a rabbit while she is pregnant, causing the daughter to be cursed with her harelip. That harelip causes that character to seek out a lonely man who stakes out a farm in the wilderness for himself, establishing what Geissler calls Sellanra. The struggles and success of Isak and Inger over 20 years of farming are the subject of, FTP, what Knut Hamsun novel?

ANSWER: The Growth of the Soil [or Markens Grode]

12. In one work by this author, an elderly woman drives out a red-haired boarder she is afraid has poisoned her with "white", while in another work by this author, a barren farmer's wife claims that Mimmi is poisoning her so she can win the title of "Mother" that Maria holds. In one novel by this author, the bootlegger Liter-Olle kills himself either due to a dog's death or the pain in his lame leg; in another novel by this author, Grandma tells the story of her sister, who killed herself after her uncle beat her. One novel by this author opens with Fredrika and her best friend taking weekly baths together, scandalizing their village; the two protagonists of that novel, Sally and Ellen, are descendents of Mother Sofi, and move from the poverty of city slums to rural poverty. This author's most famous novel is told from the point of view of the child Mia, who befriends Hanna and Olga as she moves repeatedly and lives in poverty after the title event. FTP, name this Swedish author of *Women and Appletrees* and *My Mother Gets Married*.

ANSWER: Moa Martinson [or Helga Maria Swarts]

13. While collecting tribute in Varmland, this man held Armod Beard against the wall, vomiting in his face, and then gouged out an eye with his finger. Early in this man's life, he was nearly killed by his own father during a ball game, in which Thord Granason died. In a duel in which his sword failed to pierce his enemy's armor, this man bit out Atli the Short's throat, and this man killed Atloy-Bard, when runes carved on a drinking horn caused the horn to shatter, protecting this man from poison. Atloy-Bard's death led to this man's enmity with Gunnhild and her husband, for whom he wrote a 20-verse drapa preserved in his namesake saga. Along with his brother, Thorolf, this man fought against the Scottish king, Olav, under Athelstan, and this author of "The Loss of My Sons" was a major enemy of King Eirik Blood-Axe. FTP, identify this Icelandic warrior-poet, the namesake of a saga and son of Bald-Grim.

ANSWER: Egill Skallagrimsson [prompt on "Skallagrimsson"]

14. This work's protagonist writes a letter on Christmas Eve to Magna Wellmann, offering the widow money as an inducement for Magna to keep having affairs despite the objections of her former husband's family. In another letter to Prof. Rothe, this work's protagonist defends her cousin Lillie arguing that her love for Schlegel was not physical, but only imaginary. This novel's protagonist lives with her cook Torp and maid Jeanne isolated on an island in a house she calls the "White Villa", which was built for her so that she can abandon the world after her divorce from Richard, who immediately weds a nineteen-year-old girl. Elsie Lindtner is ultimately rejected by the younger object of her affections, the architect Joergen Malthe in, FTP, what novel by Karin Michaëlis, about the title period in a woman's life between her youth and old age?

ANSWER: *The Dangerous Age* [or *Den Farlige Alder*]

15. In one work by this author, the dog Teddy attacks one character outside a lighthouse because another character had started to feed him on the sly and to play fetch with him. That work ends as the Liljebergs finish a boat for Mats, which he names for his sister Katri, who pays for it by revealing life's dark side to the children's author Anna. In addition to *The True Deceiver*, this author wrote a work in which the two main characters meet the barkeep Verity and the housekeeper Annie on a trip to Phoenix, though their lives are normally spent recording films by Fassbinder or Renoir on television. In another work by this author, the protagonist dictates a book about angleworms and spend a few days with a girl she dubs Berenice. That book is about a young girl, Sofia, and her grandmother living on an island, while a book about the artist Jonna and writer Mari mirrors this author's love affair with Tuulikki Pietila. FTP, name this Finnish Swede, author of *Fair Play* and *The Summer Book*, best known for creating the Moomins.

ANSWER: Tove Jansson

16. One character created by this author, Wenningstedt, hoping to wed Eliana, gives her the Mangle House after the disappearance of her husband, but he dies before he can give her a 500-kroner bill with a note from her husband. In another work by this author, a youth carves a deformed doll from a stump of driftwood, which its recipient calls both Seagold and Shameface, but which her son dubs Gol; that youth, Ekkehart, loves the daughter of Josef Sif, Antonia, who is transfigured into the title character after she gives birth to her son, who like her is tormented by Trine the Eyes and her obsession with sin. In addition to *Mother Pleiades*, this author wrote a novel which ends with Orfeus leaving his home, but not before Sirius dies of consumption, Kornelius is sentenced to an asylum for a bank robbery, and Moritz kills himself at sea after murdering Matte-Gok. Ankersen's push for total prohibition helps to cause the destruction of the title group in *The Lost Musicians*, a work by, FTP, what Faroese author of *The Black Cauldron*?

ANSWER: William Heinesen

17. Late in this work, the protagonist and three others dress as roosters during a cock-crowing contest and then strip. One member of that group, Lisello, had earlier come out to his friends about his relationship with Fandango at a gay club, where this novel's protagonist also sees his mother's best friend, Liz Bareskerry, hook-up with Mrs. Bosomby. Liz tries to seduce the protagonist when she takes him on a sailing expedition, just before presenting him with a new diving suit with a peho, on his sixteenth birthday. Gro attacks this work's protagonist after he says that he does not want fatherhood-protection with her. This work ends with newspapers and characters reacting to a book written by the protagonist with the same dialog and characters as this work set in a gender-swapped world, *The Sons of Democracy*. That protagonist is Petronius, who founds the Masculine League to fight sexism. Set in a world where wim are the dominate sex and menwim the subordinate, this is, FTP, what feminist novel by Gerd Brantenberg?

ANSWER: *Egalia's Daughters* [or *The Daughters of Egalia* or *Egalias Døtre*]

18. One brief relationship that this character has is with the opera singer Madame Obero, while they are staying in Riva during a cholera epidemic. This character lusts after his aunt's feet after first seeing them while handing her some perfume, and he becomes disillusioned with God after his prayers failed to save Edele's life. This character attempts to pass that atheism on to his young wife Gerda, but shortly before she is to die, she recants and seeks the succor of a pastor. This poet's mother dies while traveling around Europe with him, a trip which he takes with her in order to appease her desire to see the world and experience exotic beauties, but which leaves him disillusioned and results in the end of his affair with Mrs. Boye. Later he also has an affair with Fennimore, the wife of his childhood friend Erik, which ends when Fennimore is overcome with grief at Erik's sudden death in a carriage accident. FTP, identify this character, the namesake of a Jens Peter Jacobsen novel.

ANSWER: Niels Lyhne

19. One character in this work, Amundi the Blind, briefly gains sight, so that he can kill Lyting, who denied him compensation for his father's death. Another character in this work dreams that his friends are called in groups by the booming voice of a man who steps from out of a cliff, foretelling those men's deaths. The title character of this work devises a plan whereby Hrut is tricked into

summoning himself to the Althing to repay the dowry of his first wife, Unn, and this work also credits its title character with the creation of the Fifth Court. The wife of this work's title character, Bergthora, conducts a feud with Hallgerd, the wife of the title character's best friend and ally, Gunnar Hamundarson, while the climactic feud of this work begins when Mord Valgardsson convinces the sons of the title character to murder their foster-brother Hoskuld Hvitaness-Priest, which drives Flosi Thordarson to kill the title character and all of his family. FTP, name this saga, named for a powerful Icelander immolated in his home.

ANSWER: *Brennu-Njal's Saga* [or *The Saga of Brennu-Njal* or *The Saga of Burnt-Njal* or *Burnt-Njal's Saga* or *The Story of the Burning of Njal*]

20. In one work by this author, Santra brews beer for and sleeps with a man known only as "the farmer", in order to decrease the debt her family owes him, though she is unaware that she is not committing adultery, as her husband was stabbed by another raftsman, Salonen. Much of that work by this author centers on the new romance of Arvid and Helka and with the birth of Hilja's daughter, all taking place over a single day. In addition to "The People in the Summer Night", this author wrote a novel in which the title character betrays Teliniemi to a Captain she had earlier helped to cross enemy lines, despite Teliniemi having prevented her rape by another Red. That novel by this author ends shortly after a Civil War he also depicted in the novel *Meek Heritage* and both ends and begins with the death by consumption of the title girl. FTP, name this Finnish author of *The Maid Silja*.

ANSWER: Frans Eemil Sillanpää

21. In one work by this author, Peter Prestmark rides a big-wheel across Jutland, meeting Gerda and Cecily in a churchyard. That short story, "Trio", was grouped by this author with his other short prose works as "myths". In one novel by this author, the prostitute Lucie steals the contents of a horn worn on the neck of another character; that horn held a note in Hebrew by which a man could win a fortune from his Jewish grandfather, Mendel Speer. This author also wrote a series of six novels, which culminate in two about a Germanic Christopher Columbus, *The Long Journey*. In another novel by this author, Axel is murdered by that novel's protagonist just after his betrothal to that protagonist's daughter, Inger, born after that man raped Ane Mette as revenge for Otte Iversen having sex with Susanna. The protagonist of that novel by this author, Mikkel Thogersen, spends most of his life in the orbit of the title character, Christian II of Denmark. FTP, name this Danish author of *The Fall of the King*.

ANSWER: Johannes Vilhelm Jensen

22. One character in this work, driven mad after the death of her son Paul, steals a little girl called "And-Ongen", so that she can go to search for him. Another character in this work imagines an invisible ring around her house, in which God is punishing her for leaving her parents to marry the protagonist, a Lofoten fisherman. That protagonist finds two charred stakes with the names O'Hara and Joe Gill, which he burns, precipitating a fight between an Irishman and Hans Olsa; later Hans Olsa christens the protagonist's son, Peder Seier, who names this novel's sequel, *Peder Victorious*. This novel's protagonist cures a Native American's blood poisoning, who in return gives him a pony, which the protagonist names "Injun". Early in this novel, Ole discovers a burial site surrounded by arrowheads, which becomes emblematic of the death and destruction Beret foresees for her family on the desolate prairie. Telling of Per Hansa's failure to build a farm at Spring Creek, Dakota Territory, this is, FTP, what novel by Ole Rölvaag?

ANSWER: *Giants in the Earth* [or *Verdens Grøde*]

23. In one work by this author, one title character steals a golden sword from a hermit, but he claims to have won it from a draugr, before he is killed by an Irish thrall with the same sword. Holmsten's and Haersten's deaths force the title characters of that work, Ingolf and Hjør-Leif to flee Norway for Iceland. In addition to *The Sworn Brothers*, this author wrote a work in which the title character only finishes his annual trip with the aid of a youth named for him, who leads a band in search of the title character when he is lost; the title character of that work, Benedikt, treks with his Popish dog Leo and the ram Gnarly, as he looks for lost sheep in winter. This author of *The Good Shepherd* also wrote about Gudrun, who is plagued by a cough, but a fit of vomiting reveals an attempt to kill her by her husband, who wants to wed Steinun after killing her husband, Jon Thorgrimson. Eyjolfur narrates of that novel by this author about Bjarni Bjarnason's murders. FTP, name this Icelandic author of *The Black Cliffs* and *Guest the One-Eyed*.

ANSWER: Gunnar Gunnarsson [prompt on "Gunnar", even though patronymics are not surnames in Iceland]

24. One section of this work opens with one character complaining to another because he did not join her for tennis, despite her bicycle pointing toward the oak as a sign. One recurrent image in this work, which was inspired by the marriage of the author's sister Anna to Hugo Philip, is that of a corpse carted out to a garden in a wheelbarrow. Late in this work, one character brings about the bankruptcy of a soda factory and the appointment of Allan to Norrland, as part of a scheme to have his daughter Judith marry the Colonel; earlier in this work, that same man collapsed after trying to dance to Halvorsen's "The Entrance of the Boyars", resulting in Kurt spending the night by his side. This work's second section ends with the Captain's death by stroke, though the first ends with a reprieve in the hateful marriage of Alice and Edgar before their silver anniversary. FTP, name this play in two parts by August Strindberg.

ANSWER: *The Dance of Death* [or *Doedsdansen*]

25. In a play set in this country, Berit disappears after she joins "the Gang" and the title character of that work shares a single room with her mother, who often sleeps with Sandro there. That play is *Eva Maria* by V.V. Järner. In a play written by another playwright from this country, a boy falls for the older woman, Helena, who tutors him in Spanish and who is dissatisfied with her drunkard husband, but he impregnates her daughter Maija. That play about Lassi is *Snow in May* by Eeva-Lissa Manner. In another play by a playwright from this country, a soldier at the front is given leave to get married just as all of his friends are killed, but a fight with

his fiancée forces him to wed a complete stranger, known simply as “The Girl”; that play by Veijo Meri is *Private Jokinen’s Marriage Leave*. FTP, name this country, whose other playwrights include the author of the absurdist *The Superintendent*, Paavo Haavikko.

ANSWER: **Finland**

1. One absurdist playwright from this country wrote a work about two fetuses arguing in the womb, *Yolk-Life*, and another about a composer and his wife who plot to kill the latter's mother, *Ten Variations*. F10PE:

[10] Name this country, which is also home to Jokull Jakobsson, author *The Seaway to Baghdad*, in which Signy chooses between her abusive drunk of a husband, Eirik, and the man she loves, Halldor, as well as Oddur Bjornsson.

ANSWER: **Iceland**

[10] Two political groups fight over this namesake invasive, fur-bearing mustelid in an Erlingur Halldorsson play about the US military presence in Iceland during the Cold War.

ANSWER: **Mink**

[10] Loftur's jilted, pregnant lover, Steinunn, kills herself in this manner in Johann Sigurjonsson's *The Wish*. Other literary suicides in this manner include Ophelia in *Hamlet* and Javert in *Les Miserables*.

ANSWER: **Drowning**

2. One title character, Louise, weds her tutor, Caspers, leading her to a life of unhappiness, while another, Amalie, weds the curate Brocher, a man of her own choosing, which also ends in unhappiness. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel by Camilla Collett, which mostly centers on Louise and Amalie's sister Sofie, who chooses to marry the aged Dean Rein instead of her first love and tutor, Georg Kold, to avoid humiliation.

ANSWER: *The **District Governor's Daughters*** [or *The **Sheriff's Daughters*** or ***Amtmandens Dottre***]

[10] *The District Governor's Daughters* is set in this country, Camilla Collett's home country, which was or is home to such feminist writers as Amalie Skram and Bjorg Vik.

ANSWER: **Norway**

[10] Several times in the novel, Georg Kold's appearance is compared to this romantic English poet of *Don Juan* and *Childe Harold's Pilgrimage*, who died fighting for Greek independence from the Ottomans.

ANSWER: George Gordon Byron, 6<sup>th</sup> Baron **Byron**

3. Anna Sophia cuckolds her husband, Master Wenzel, with the Stores Manager early in this novel, partially in parallel to the situation of Pastor Paul and his wife, the title character, who leaves him for Andreas. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel by Jorgen-Frantz Jacobsen about the title woman, who is beloved by most of the people in the Faroe Islands because of her kindness and simplicity, despite her loose morals.

ANSWER: **Barbara**

[10] In addition to Andreas and Paul, Barbara is also wooed by her cousin by this name, who weds Suzanne Harmé when the latter is impregnated by a French officer. He shares his name with the chief of the angelic guards in *Paradise Lost*.

ANSWER: **Gabriel**

[10] Both Paul and Andreas came to Torshavn aboard the *Fortuna*, from this Danish capital city, to which Andreas promised also to take Barbara, before abandoning her in the end.

ANSWER: **Copenhagen**

4. The title character of the autobiographical *Martin Birck's Youth* appears as a friend of this work's title character, who conducts an interrogation for and against murder with himself in the pages of his own journal. F10PE:

[10] Name this Hjalmar Söderberg novel, in which the title physician poisons the pastor Gregorius, in part because he wants to free Gregorius's wife, Helga, from his lustful embrace, so that she can pursue an affair with Klas Recke.

ANSWER: **Doktor Glas**

[10] Early in the novel, Doctor Glas prides himself on his refusal to perform this then-illegal surgical procedure, which is also discussed in Hemingway's "Hills Like White Elephants".

ANSWER: **Abortion**

[10] The 2<sup>nd</sup> part of *Martin Birck's Youth* is named for this article of clothing of this color worn by recent graduates. This colored article names organized lynch mobs, as found in Booth Tarkington's *A Gentleman from Indiana*.

ANSWER: **White Cap** [accept clear knowledge equivalents]

5. One ruler of these islands was killed when he put on a cursed garment that his mother and aunt intended for his brother, and another ruler, Thorfinn Sigurdarson took over nine earldoms in Scotland from his base here. F10PE:

[10] Name this British island group, which was also ruled over by St. Magnus and Rognvald Kali. The earls here are the subject of a namesake Icelandic saga, which concludes shortly after the death of Harald Maddadardson.

ANSWER: **Orkney** Islands [or **Orkneys** or **Orkneyjar**; accept **Orkneyinga** Saga]

[10] In two stories in the *Orkneyinga Saga*, the mythical Gor and the historical Magnus Bare-Legs use this trick to acquire Namdalseid in Norway and Kintyre in Scotland respectively.

ANSWER: **Carrying a Boat Overland** [accept logical equivalents that include **Boats Traveling Overland**]

[10] Also according to *Orkneyinga Saga*, Earls Paul and Erlend Thorfinnson participated with Harald Hardrada at this battle on the River Derwent won by Harold Godwinson before his defeat at Hastings.

ANSWER: Battle of **Stamford Bridge**

6. Many characters in this work are rape victims, including Linda, who barely speaks after being raped by police as a child to force her to reveal the location of her father, Hans Pekk, who hid in a secret room for six years. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel by Sofi Oksanen about the parallels in the lives of Linda's daughter, Zara, and her great-aunt Aliide Truu, whom the former meets only after escaping from her pimp Pasha.

ANSWER: **Purge** [or **Puhdistus**]

[10] *Purge* is set in this Baltic country, home to Oksanen's mother. Jaan Kross, Mati Unt, and Toomas Vint are all authors from this country, which has built strong ties to linguistically-related Finland since the fall of Communism.

ANSWER: **Estonia** [or **Eesti**]

[10] The communiqués in *Purge*'s last section give Aliide this codename. *Purge* opens with Aliide trying to kill one of these creatures, and one interposed in an Emily Dickinson poem as the speaker signs away her assignable portion.

ANSWER: **Fly** [or **Diptera**]

7. One character in this work, Pastor Fjaltring, hangs himself after his wife dies and the title character of this work becomes entangled with the mad Baroness after Neergaard kills himself, naming the title character his heir. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel by Henrik Pontoppidan about the title failed engineer, who rebels against his family's strict Lutheranism and whose life's work is to dig a series of canals across Jutland and open a free port at Hjerting.

ANSWER: **Lucky Per** [or **Lykke-Per**]

[10] An early example of Per's daring and his rebellion against authority was to do this at night with a maid. Ethan Frome and Mattie Silver fail to kill themselves by performing this activity.

ANSWER: **Riding a Sled** [or **Sledding**; accept obvious equivalents]

[10] Per's fiancée, Jakobe Salomon, is of this ethnicity, which Per's family sees as part of his religious revolt. Jakobe often talks about discrimination against this ethnic group, including an encounter with pogrom refugees.

ANSWER: **Jewish** [accept logical equivalents]

8. This work's title character intends to announce his engagement to a "broom girl" as a joke, though a burst dam prevents this, and his love affair with Marianne Sinclair is cut short by her contraction of smallpox. F10PE:

[10] Name this Selma Lagerlöf novel about rural Värmland, in which the title defrocked priest weds Elizabeth and ruins and then saves Ekeby, the estate of Margareta Celsing, where he stays with 11 others as "permanent guests".

ANSWER: **Gösta Berling's Saga** [or **The Story of Goesta Berling**]

[10] In one part of *Gösta Berling's Saga*, Fuchs's hunts one of these animals, in whose mouth he puts money to help a sexton get married. One of these animals, Old Ben, is the title character of a story by Faulkner in *Go Down, Moses*.

ANSWER: **Bear**

[10] This demonic character causes the guests to expel Margareta, drives his wife Ulrika mad, and other destructive pranks, before his death at the end of *Gösta Berling's Saga* completes Ekeby's restoration and the guests' salvation.

ANSWER: **Sintram**

9. This figure's nights are plagued by visions of the "good dream-woman" and the "bad-dream woman", the latter of whom foretells him of his death, which comes during a battle in which his wife Aud breaks Eyjolf's arm. F10PE:

[10] Name this man, whose namesake saga describes a cycle of violence as Vestein's murder drives this man to kill his own brother-in-law Thorgrim, resulting in his own death by Eyjolf on behalf of Bork and his own sister, Thordis.

ANSWER: **Gisli** Surrsson

[10] *Gisli's Saga*, along with *Grettir's Saga*, is sometimes classified as this type of saga as both focus on the events leading to Gisli and Grettir becoming, and their lives as, the title legal fugitive.

ANSWER: **Outlaw** Saga

[10] In one scene, Gisli gets help from "sly" Ref, who hides Gisli in bed with his wife. Ref may be evidence of the Icelandic version of this medieval legendary figure, who appears as Rossel in *The Nun's Priest's Tale*.

ANSWER: **Reynard** the Fox

10. The *County Telegraph*, run by a political group headed by Dr. Kroll, publishes anonymous attacks against this work's title character, after he reveals his decision to support the reformers led by Peter Mortensgaard. F10PE:

[10] Name this play, which ends with that title character, John, electing to back down from his reformist ideals and commit suicide with Rebecca West, just as his first wife, Beata, had, by jumping from a bridge into a millrace.

ANSWER: **Rosmersholm**

[10] John Rosmer formerly held this position, before taking up his liberal ideology, a position he shares with other Ibsen characters such as the title character of *Brand* and Manders from *Ghosts*.

ANSWER: **Pastor** [or **Minister**; be lenient and accept logical equivalents]

[10] Dr. Kroll, on the other hand, has this position, which he shares with the jilted Dr. Roerlund, left behind by Dina Dorf in Ibsen's *The Pillars of Society*, as well as Stephen Dedalus in *Ulysses* and Ichabod Crane.

ANSWER: **Teacher**

11. In one novel by this author, the title character drowns herself in a pool after months helping the Danish army during the siege of Dybbøl and her failed love affair with Commissioner Berg. F10PE:

[10] Name this Danish author of *Tina*, who also wrote about a woman upset about her marriage to a philandering boor, Bai, who falls in love with Huus, but wastes away and dies when he leaves their rural village in *Katinka*.

ANSWER: Herman **Bang**

[10] *Tina* takes place in 1864 during the second war named for this region in southern Jutland. Theodore Fontane also wrote on the second war for this region, while Theodor Storm was a native of this region.

ANSWER: **Schleswig-Holstein**

[10] Before Huus's arrival, Katinka spends her days waiting on the arrival of these modes of transportation, which also figure prominently in *God's Bits of Wood* and *Anna Karenina*, the title character of which is killed by one.

ANSWER: **Train** [accept logical equivalents]

12. In one play by this writer, a charlatan poses as the Canadian Dr. Alfreds and cons a self-serving politician into thinking that a certain farm sits atop a huge uranium reserve, while impregnating that man's daughter. F10PE:

[10] Name this author of *Atoms and Madams*, who wrote a novel about Benni, who kills his wife in a car accident, before leaving his children behind and fleeing to the US, just as his own father had, *The Medal of Distinction*.

ANSWER: Agnar **Thordarson** [or Agnar **Þorðarson**; prompt on "Agnar", even though patronymics are not surnames in Iceland]

[10] The two sections of Agnar's novel *The Sword*, about Hilmar's hope to avenge his father's death on Markus and Hilmar's concern about his mother's sex-life, open with quotes from this similar Shakespeare play set in Denmark.

ANSWER: *The Tragedy of Hamlet, Prince of Denmark*

[10] In *The Medal of Distinction*, the title object is thought to have been awarded to Benni's father by the president of this country, Oscar Carmona, who served as president here from 1926, at the start of the Estado Novo, to 1951.

ANSWER: **Portugal**

13. The title character breaks a floorboard with a tobacco chopper and a pail in two separate rages against his mother for attacking the constancy of his wife, Marja, before breaking Marja's lover's arm and leg with a stool. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel by Juhani Aho about the title farmer and his much younger wife, who runs off with Sheimakka only to regret her decision when she learns that she is to be just another of his concubines.

ANSWER: **Juha**

[10] Another work about a "May-December relationship" is this story from *The Canterbury Tales*, in which May deceives her blind husband Januarie, who helps her to meet her lover Damyan in a pear tree in his own garden.

ANSWER: *The Merchant's Tale* [or *The Marchantes Tale*]

[10] Marja's disgust with Juha stems from his age, as well as with this deformity, the result of a bear-bite, which he shares with Ivan Fyodorovich from *The Brothers Karamazov* and Tiny Tim in *A Christmas Carol*.

ANSWER: **Lameness** [or **Limp**; accept obvious logical equivalents]

14. In one novel by this author, the learning disabled Mattis hates his nickname "Simple Simon", and avoids most work; that novel follows Mattis's relationship with his sister, Hege, as she acquires her first lover, Jorgen. F10PE:

[10] Name this author of *The Birds*, who also wrote about the strange friendship of Siss and Unn, as the former becomes the latter, after the latter's death in the title structure, *The Ice Palace*.

ANSWER: Tarjei **Vesaas**

[10] The one job Mattis does accept is as one of these, after a successful encounter with the girls Anna and Inger, though his only customer is Jorgen. In Greek mythology, Charon does this job for the souls of the dead.

ANSWER: **Ferryman** [accept logical equivalents]

[10] The friendship of Siss and Unn is caused in part by a vision of strange, unexplained gleams upon looking at one of these objects. In *Richard II*, after Bolingbroke captures him, the king asks for one of these objects, then breaks it.

ANSWER: **Mirror** [or **Looking Glass** or **Speculum**; accept logical equivalents]

15. This novel's protagonist is distraught by Miss Brener's choice to return to Bergen to wed a former lover, though he had decided to marry her himself for convenience, after his love Fanny Holmsen weds Mr. Ryen. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel by Arne Garborg about Gabriel Gram's increasing madness, which consists largely of Gram's conflicting thoughts on and emotions towards marriage, women, art, literature, and politics.

ANSWER: **Weary Men** [or **Tired Men** or **Trøette Mænd** or **Traette Maend**]

[10] *Weary Men* is usually classified as belonging to this late-19<sup>th</sup> century literary movement, which includes such novels as Joris-Karl Huysmans's *Against Nature* and Oscar Wilde's *The Picture of Dorian Gray*.

ANSWER: **Decadence** [accept word forms]

[10] *Weary Men* ends with Gabriel Gram undergoing this process, which also occurs to Lucius at the end of Apuleius's *The Golden Ass*, Frank at the end of Malamud's *The Assistant*, and Levin at the end of *Anna Karenina*.

ANSWER: Religious **Conversion** [accept obvious equivalents, like "**Changing Faiths**" or "**Accepting a New Religion**"; do not accept "Converting to Christianity"]

16. This saga contains unique references to the play of a "turf-game", which starts a fight between the Thorlakssons and the Thorbrandssons, as well as the "door-court", one of which expels a group of draugar from a house. F10PE:

[10] Name this early saga concerned primarily with Snorri the Priest's conflicts with the Kjalleklings, Arnkel the Priest, and others in the title area around Alftafjord.

ANSWER: **Eyrbyggja Saga** [or **Saga of the People of Eyri**]

[10] In one of the saga's longest parts, the ghost of Thorolf Twist-Foot becomes one of these animals, killing Thorodd Thorbrandsson. Medb tried to take Donn Culaigne, one of these animals, in a "raid at Cooley".

ANSWER: **Bull** [or **Cow** or **Bovine**]

[10]

ANSWER: Robert Louis **Stevenson**

17. This work's protagonist is imprisoned due to Gunderic's rumors about his involvement in an assassination with Hardrad; other imprisoned characters in this work include Perto's brother Warnefrit and father Bertoald. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel, a work by Eyvind Johnson, which tells of Perto's youth in Lombardy, including his role in Rodgaud's revolt, the loss of his love Angilperta, and his life as a scholar, like his uncle Deacon Anselm.

ANSWER: *The **Days of His Grace*** [or ***Hans Nådes Tid***]

[10] A young Perto hopes to kill this man, the title character of *The Days of His Grace*, but becomes a teacher at the royal school of this Frankish king at Aquisgranum. This son of Pepin the Short also appears in *The Song of Roland*.

ANSWER: **Charlemagne** [or **Carolus Magnus** or **Charles the Great** or **Charles I**]

[10] Perto dreams that he has been taken to, then barred from, this place, which Adaloald visits in a homemade flying machine. Lucian's crew travels here, where they witness a war against the King of the Sun in *A True Story*.

ANSWER: **Moon** [or **Luna**]

18. In one work by this author, Ragnheithur dies after a long illness not having seen her illegitimate son Thorodd after she was returned to the house of her father, Bishop Brynjolfur. F10PE:

[10] Name this Icelandic author of *The Virgin of Skalholt*, whose *I See a Wondrous Land* depicts a Norse discovery of North America, inspired in large part by *Eyrbyggja Saga* and the *Vinland Sagas*.

ANSWER: Guðmundur **Kamban** [or Guðmundur **Kamban**; prompt on "Guðmundur" or "Guðmundur", even though Icelandic does not have true surnames]

[10] Part of *I See a Wondrous Land* is taken up with this man's explorations of, first settlement in, and twenty-year reign over Greenland. His son Leif takes over his farmstead at Brattalid after discovering Vinland.

ANSWER: **Eric the Red** [or **Eric Thorvaldsson**]

[10] At the end of *The Virgin of Skalholt*, Eyolfur describes the death of Rapfod, one of these animals, which tried to swim to Iceland to see Bleikaling. Other examples of these animals include Delu, Gringolet, and Gabilan.

ANSWER: **Horse** [or **Equine** or **Equus ferus**]

19. Characters in this novel include Suzie, who has a miscarriage during a car wreck on her way to get an abortion, and the runaways Nova and Sonja, who are sent to a reformatory after they stab and rob a motorist. F10PE:

[10] Name this Kirsten Thorup novel about various Danish down-and-outs and written in a series of very long run-on sentences, which give equal weight to character's emotions and mundane details of setting or appearance.

ANSWER: **Baby**

[10] Another character, Mark, is forced to leave his wife Cadett and son Jess after losing his job as one of these. Other literary characters with this job include Dwayne Hoover from *Breakfast of Champions*.

ANSWER: **Car Salesman** [accept logical equivalents; prompt on "Salesman"]

[10] *Baby* is bookended by the appearances of Jolly Daisy, who is one of this type of people. Other literary examples include the homosexual Oshima from *Kafka on the Shore* and Manuela from Jose Donoso's *Hell Has No Limits*.

ANSWER: **Transvestite** [accept logical equivalents; do not accept or prompt on synonyms for "Homosexual"]

20. Late in this novel, Lias Berint falls to his death trying to retrieve his property titles, causing Tummas to spread rumors that one of the title characters killed him for his property, after Lias had gone to live with him. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel about the conflict between tradition and modernity in the Faroes, represented by Ketil and his offspring in this novel by Hedin Bru, all while Ketil struggles to earn enough to pay a debt.

ANSWER: *The **Old Man and His Sons*** [or ***Fedgar a ferd***]

[10] Ketil acquired that debt after buying 1.5 tons of meat after one of these events, called *grindadráp*, which he and his son Kalv participate in at the opening of the novel. This is also the job of the *Pequod* in *Moby-Dick*.

ANSWER: **Whale Hunting** [or **Whaling**; accept logical equivalents]

[10] Lias Berint's death comes on a trip with Ketil prompted by fears of an outbreak of this disease. Tom Sawyer gets this disease at the same time that his friends "get religion" at a revival in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*.

ANSWER: **Measles** [or **Morbilli** or **Rubeola**]

21. Late in this novel, Cesca admits that she was unable to sleep with her husband, Ahlin, whom she only married after her former lover Hans Hermann, began pursuing her again. F10PE:

[10] Name this novel, whose title character is impregnated by Gert, the father of her former fiancé, Helge Gram. The title artist of this novel ultimately kills herself after Helge rapes her, declaring that she is finally his.

ANSWER: **Jenny**

[10] *Jenny* is an early novel by this Norwegian author, also known for her later works about medieval Scandinavia, including *Gunnar's Daughter* and *Kristin Lavransdattar*.

ANSWER: Sigrid **Undset**

[10] Much of *Jenny* is set in this city, where Helge meets Jenny on his first day and where she kills herself after Helge rapes her. This city is also the setting of a namesake “Spring of Mrs. Stone”, and Livy wrote a history of it.

ANSWER: **Rome**, Italy

22. In one of this author’s novels, Edvin, nicknamed “Pussylips” for his cleft palate, is, at 33, the youngest human anyone else has met on a post-apocalyptic island left after nuclear war sparked the title disaster. F10PE:

[10] Name this author of *After the Flood*, who wrote of Evy Beck’s attempt to reform animal treatment at NMSI, a large medical college, while herself undergoing personal, sexual, and systemic abuses, in *The Animal Doctor*.

ANSWER: Per Christian **Jersild**

[10] Near the end of *After the Flood*, Edvin and a pregnant Tulikke are exiled by Petsamo in a scene reminiscent of this biblical event, with a gun-toting Danish sailor acting as the sword-wielding angel in Masaccio’s depiction.

ANSWER: **Expulsion of Adam and Eve** [accept logical equivalents like “**Expulsion from the Garden of Eden**” or “**Expulsion from Paradise**”]; prompt on “Fall of Man”]

[10] Evy’s hiring in *The Animal Doctor* is prompted by the death of a test subject and mascot named for this figure, whom Propertius tells he is inspired only by love in Elegy 2.1 and whom Horace invites for cheap wine in Ode 1.20.

ANSWER: Gaius Cilinius **Maecenas**

23. In one work by this author, Huttunen has a tendency to release his frustrations and loneliness through prolonged, loud baying, leading to the declaration that he is mad and his fight against village society. F10PE:

[10] Name this author of *The Howling Miller*, who also wrote about Vatenen’s escape from urban society after he adopts one of the title animals, which has a broken leg, in *The Year of the Hare*.

ANSWER: Arto **Paasilinna**

[10] In *The Year of the Hare*, Vatenen traps the head of one of these animals in a can, causing it to fly blind, after it steals his food for weeks. A more famous literary example perches atop a bust of Pallas in a namesake Poe poem.

ANSWER: **Raven** [or **Corvus corax**]

[10] Huttunen teams up with a postman, who hides in the woods to do this illegally, while Vatenen joins a man during a forest fire doing this. George Wilkins and Lucas Beauchamp do this illegally in “The Fire and the Hearth”.

ANSWER: **Distills Liquor** [accept obvious logical equivalents]

24. In one story by this author, Cecilia is driven mad by her father’s refusal to allow her to wed her beloved, Esben, whom she kills in his sleep, as a result, so that they can wed in heaven, “The Hosier and His Daughter”. F10PE:

[10] Name this early Danish short story author, who wrote about Morten Vinge’s love for Sophie, whom he later meets after she has eloped with Jens and become an impoverished prostitute in “The Diary of a Parish Clerk”.

ANSWER: Steen Steensen **Blicher**

[10] The title character in Blicher’s “The Pastor of Vijlbye” confesses to Niels Bruus’s murder, convinced that he buried the body while doing this act, which Edgar Huntley and Clithero do in a Charles Brockden Brown novel.

ANSWER: **Somnambulism** [or **Sleepwalking**; accept obvious equivalents]

[10] Captain H and Mrs. L begin their double-affair in Blicher’s “Tardy Awakening” at one of these events, after Mrs. L manipulates their costumes. Prospero dies at one in a Poe story and Romeo meets Juliet at another.

ANSWER: **Masquerade** [accept obvious equivalents]

25. One character in this work, Uncle Ungert, tells the village children that he is a mandarin who can fly on dragons, while another, Sabine, runs away from home because her mother is unable to communicate love to her. F10PE:

[10] Name this Hagar Olsson novel, in which the title character, Myyriainen, journeys to a village in Karelia after he discovers his artworks have a comic character, rather than the immortality he seeks to show.

ANSWER: *The* **Woodcarver and Death**

[10] Myyriainen meets Sanni and her father as they take Sanni to be cured by one of these objects in a monastery. In Georgios Vizyenos’s “My Mother’s Sin”, the narrator’s sister undergoes incubation before one of these.

ANSWER: **Icon**

[10] Myyriainen’s first carving, depicting a poet, is named for this concept. In a Keats ode to this concept, which “dwells with Beauty”, the poet instructs the listener to “glut thy sorrow on a morning rose” when this “fit shall fall”.

ANSWER: **Melancholy**