Quiz – *The Pearl*

1. Where is *The Pearl* set?
   - (A) Spain
   - (B) Mexico
   - (C) Cuba
   - (D) The United States

2. What stings Coyotito?
   - (A) A porcupine
   - (B) A hornet
   - (C) A scorpion
   - (D) A mosquito

3. With what does Kino offer to pay the doctor?
   - (A) Eight small pearls
   - (B) Five pieces of gold bullion
   - (C) Ten weeks of hard labor
   - (D) His canoe

4. How does Kino react when the doctor snubs him?
   - (A) He sulks
   - (B) He strikes the front gate with his fists, bloodying his knuckles
   - (C) He phones his lawyer
   - (D) He threatens the doctor with death

5. What does Juana use as a poultice for Coyotito’s wound?
   - (A) Dry ice
   - (B) Peppermint
   - (C) Oatmeal
   - (D) Seaweed

6. How did Kino acquire his canoe?
   - (A) He built it
   - (B) He exchanged pearls for it
   - (C) He inherited it
   - (D) He stole it

7. For what does Juana pray when she is in the canoe?
   - (A) A big pearl
   - (B) Rain
   - (C) Coyotito’s health
   - (D) Sinners

8. Which of the following is not on the list of things Kino plans to buy with his newfound wealth?
   - (A) An education for Coyotito
   - (B) A sailboat
   - (C) A rifle
   - (D) A proper marriage in a church

9. How does the doctor treat Coyotito’s scorpion wound?
   - (A) With a capsule filled with powder
   - (B) With a strange purple liquid
   - (C) By administering a shot
   - (D) By wrapping it in seaweed

10. Where does Kino hide the pearl during the night?
    - (A) In the doctor’s safe
    - (B) In his sock
    - (C) Under the potted plant by the toolbox
    - (D) Beneath his sleeping mat
11. What is the name of the town where Kino first attempts to sell his pearl?

(A) Santa Lucia  
(B) La Paz  
(C) Cadaques  
(D) Tegucigalpa

12. What is the first pearl dealer’s nervous habit?

(A) He manipulates a coin in his hands  
(B) He twiddles his thumbs  
(C) He taps his foot  
(D) He chain-smokes

13. What is the best offer Kino gets for his pearl?

(A) 5,000 pes  
(B) 1,000 pes  
(C) 1,500 pes  
(D) 20 pounds sterling

14. What reason does the dealer give for not liking Kino’s pearl?

(A) It is too large  
(B) It smells funny  
(C) It is actually made out of beeswax  
(D) It is stolen

15. How does Kino decide to make money when he realizes that the local pearl dealers are lowballing him?

(A) By panhandling and singing for money  
(B) By stockpiling all the pearls of La Paz  
(C) By traveling to the capital to sell his pearl  
(D) By filing a lawsuit against the dealers according to the Sherman Anti-Trust Act of 1890

16. What does Juana propose to do with the pearl?

(A) Have it set in a silver necklace that she can wear on formal occasions  
(B) Throw it back into the sea  
(C) Give it to Coyotito  
(D) Sell it to the highest bidder as soon as possible

17. How does Kino react when Juana attempts to steal the pearl from him?

(A) He agrees with her that the pearl will only bring them evil  
(B) He punches her in the head and then kicks her  
(C) He leaves her for another woman  
(D) He chases her down and persuades her to return the pearl to him

18. Why must Kino and his family flee from their neighborhood?

(A) Because Kino sets fire to a group of houses  
(B) Because Kino steals a knife from his brother  
(C) Because Kino makes advances on his brother’s wife  
(D) Because Kino kills a man

19. Where do Kino and Juana first take refuge after their house burns down?

(A) In a cave by the beach  
(B) In their canoe  
(C) At Juan Tomás’s house  
(D) In the forest

20. Where do Kino and Juana flee to escape the trackers?

(A) Down the river  
(B) Up the mountain  
(C) Through the vale  
(D) To their underwater lair
21. What does Kino do to conceal himself from the trackers?

- (A) He dons camouflage
- (B) He strips naked
- (C) He cuts his hair
- (D) He grows a moustache

22. For what do the trackers mistake Coyotito’s cry?

- (A) A coyote’s cry
- (B) An owl’s screech
- (C) A cat’s meow
- (D) A bat’s shriek

23. How does Kino rid himself of the trackers?

- (A) He wrestles them into submission
- (B) He outruns them
- (C) He hides until they have lost his trail
- (D) He kills them

24. How does Coyotito die?

- (A) He falls off a cliff
- (B) He is shot
- (C) A scorpion poisons him
- (D) He starves

25. What does Kino do with the pearl at the novella’s end?

- (A) He donates it to charity
- (B) He sells it to the highest bidder
- (C) He buries it in his brother’s house
- (D) He throws it back into the sea