***The Pigman*, Paul Zindel**

**Final Test (NJSLS R.1, R.2, R.3, R.4, R.5, R.6)**

**Part A: MULTIPLE CHOICE-**--Directions: Test your understanding of what you read by completing the statements below. Circle the letter of the best response.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**1. Lorraine thinks John gets away with all his mischief because**

A. his parents are rich B. he is handsome C. the principal is afraid of him

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**2. John and Lorraine become friends when they**

A. rescue a stray cat B. crash into each other on bikes C. get into a laughing match

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**3. Lack of confidence is a problem for**

A. Lorraine B. John C. Mr. Pignati

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_4. **Lorraine and John are writing their story for all but which one of these reasons:**

A. John wants to be a writer B. Lorraine has been miserable and lifeless

C. they both want to understand what happened

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_5. **John and Lorraine play a telephone game in which they try to**

A. win political support for dead candidates B. get strangers to stay on the phone

C. sell wild party favors

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_6. **Lorraine regrets her call to Mr. Pignati because he**

A. is so boring B. threatens to call the police C. sounds lonely

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_7. **John spends time in the cemetery because he**

A. is able to escape from his friends there B. can practice his acting there

C. hopes to find proof there that death is not final

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_8. **John’s father wants John to**

A. become a professor B. work on the Stock Exchange C. fulfill his dream by being an actor

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_9. **John discovers what happened to Mrs. Pignati when he**

A. reads her divorce papers B. overhears Mr. Pignati praying for her C. finds a bill for her funeral

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_10. **Lorraine wishes that her mother could be more like Mr. Pignati by**

A. learning how to have fun B. sharing secrets C. taking interest in Lorraine’s school activities

**Part B: MATCHING**---Directions: Match each effect (action or decision) with the cause (the reason that

something occurs). Write the correct letter for the answer on the space provided. Each answer may be

used only once.

**Cause and Effect**

| Answer |  | |
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|  | 11. The police take John and Lorraine home because | A. Bobo’s death shocks him. |
|  | 12. Mrs. Jensen slaps Lorraine because | B. He sees how lonely being friendless would be. |
|  | 13. Mr. Pignati agrees to go to the zoo because | C. Everyone is responsible for his or her own actions |
|  | 14. Bobo dies because | D. They went where they didn’t belong. |
|  | 15. Mr. Pignati dies because | E. He doesn’t want to grow up like the adults he knows. |
|  | 16. John feels sick about Mr. Pignati because | F. He catches pneumonia. |
|  | 17. Lorraine leaves after Mr. Pignati collapses because | G. He wants to see his friends. |
|  | 18. John feels it might be better to be dead because | H. The party got out of hand. |
|  | 19. John realizes there is no one to blame because | I. She doesn’t want to get into trouble with her mother |
|  | 20. John feels that he, Lorraine, and Mr. Pignati trespassed because | J. Lorraine lied. |

**Part B: MATCHING**---Directions: Match the vocabulary word with the correct definition. Write the correct letter answer on the space provided. Each answer may be used only once.

\_\_\_\_\_ 11. paranoia A. not real or genuine; fake; counterfeit

\_\_\_\_\_ 12. ingrate B. babyish or childish (behavior)

\_\_\_\_\_ 13. omen C. hostile; unfriendly

\_\_\_\_\_ 14. antagonistic D. to speak falsely or misleadingly

\_\_\_\_\_ 15. mull E. an ungrateful person

\_\_\_\_\_ 16. compassion F. an event believed to forecast doom

\_\_\_\_\_ 17. phony G. excessive suspicion of the motives of others

\_\_\_\_\_ 18. prevaricate H. to study or ponder

\_\_\_\_\_ 19. impressionable I. a feeling of sympathy for another who is stricken by misfortune

\_\_\_\_\_ 20. Infantile J. easily influenced

**Part C: TRUE/FALSE**---Directions: Label the following statements True or False by writing the word TRUE or FALSE on the lines provided.

\_\_\_\_\_ 21. John refers to the “Dear Alice” advice column because it reminds him of the Pigman.

\_\_\_\_\_ 22. John fears that Norton might become a threat to the Pigman because Norton is a thief.

\_\_\_\_\_ 23. John began drinking because he wanted to rebel against his parents.

\_\_\_\_\_ 24. John likes the Pigman because the Pigman is generous and tolerant.

\_\_\_\_\_ 25. Lorraine’s mother distrusts men because she feels her husband betrayed her.

\_\_\_\_\_ 26. John and Lorraine confess to Mr. Pignati that they lied about their parents.

\_\_\_\_\_ 27. Mr. Pignati’s game about the wife and her lover is supposed to prove what you value

most in life.

\_\_\_\_\_ 28. To cheer up Mr. Pignati, John and Lorraine chase each other and Mr. Pignati through the

house on roller skates.

\_\_\_\_\_ 29. The evening ends in tragedy when Mr. Pignati crashes into the refrigerator and breaks his

leg.

\_\_\_\_\_ 30. John invited Norton Kelly to the party at Mr.Pignati’s house because he knew Norton

would help the party “jump."

**Part D: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

Write a Character Analysis for a major character in *The Pigman*. Your answer should reflect specific character traits about your chosen character including his/her qualities, values, feelings, goals and problems. Be sure to include specific characterization tools the author used including surroundings, habits, actions, what other characters say about him/her, etc.

Thoroughly and completely answer this discussion question on the lines provided. If you need additional space, use your own sheet of loose-leaf paper.

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**Part E: BONUS** (optional) Explain the meaning behind the “Prince Albert in a Can” joke.

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