

## Questions for Self-Grading Quizzes on Percy Project Site *Lancelot*

1. The novel begins with an epigram from Dante's \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Inferno
  - b) Purgatorio
  - c) Paradiso
  - d) Vita Nuova
2. Percival and Lancelot were raised as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) atheists
  - b) Baptists
  - c) Catholics
  - d) Episcopalians
3. The movie being filmed at Belle Isle has all of the following except \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) a degenerate river rat
  - b) a half-caste swamp girl
  - c) an alcoholic and suicidal psychiatrist
  - d) a Christlike hippie
4. Which of the following is NOT a phase of Lance's "sexual theory of history"?
  - a) a Romantic period when people "fell in love"
  - b) a sexual period where men and women cohabit "as indiscriminately as in a baboon colony"
  - c) "catastrophe of some sort"
  - d) an era of "true fulfillment" when "sexuality is expressed freely and creatively"
5. Lance spends his time reading \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Raymond Chandler detective novels
  - b) Hemingway short stories
  - c) Tennyson's *Idylls of the King*
  - d) Carl Sagan's *Cosmos*
6. Lucy and Margot are from (respectively) \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Arkansas and Florida
  - b) Georgia and Texas
  - c) Alabama and Wisconsin
  - d) California and West Virginia
7. Lance's black "retainer" is attending college at \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Southern U.
  - b) Southern Cal
  - c) MIT
  - d) Princeton
8. At the end of the novel Lance plans to begin his new life in \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a) Alaska (north of Nome)
  - b) Virginia (Shenandoah Valley)
  - c) New Mexico (the deserts below Taos)
  - d) Ohio (the factories of Akron)

9. At the "heart of evil" Lance discovers \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) redemption  
b) Satan  
c) nothing  
d) his father
10. Lance recounts his vision of \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) the Virgin Mary  
b) the ghost of Lucy  
c) Guinevere  
d) Our Lady of the Camellias
11. Lance's new order will be based on \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) Communism  
b) love  
c) stern rectitude  
d) liberalism
12. Lance saves the Buell family from the Grand Kleagle of the Ku Klux Klan by \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) paying him off  
b) suing him  
c) challenging him to a duel  
d) drinking straight three-dollar whiskey with him
13. Merlin's character seems most like that of which American writer?  
a) Hemingway  
b) Fitzgerald  
c) Tennessee Williams  
d) Mark Twain
14. Lancelot is able to act once he \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) becomes aware of racial injustice  
b) discovers Margaret's infidelity  
c) has enough to drink  
d) meets Percival
15. The only time members of Lance's family were ever happy was \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) in time of war  
b) while looking through telescopes  
c) when falling in love  
d) at movies

**True/False**

1. Percival wears "phony casuals" instead of "priest clothes" throughout the entire novel.
2. Margot is Lance's second wife.
3. Percival never speaks in the novel.
4. Lancelot claims that "Original Sin is not something man did to God but something God did to man."
5. The movie stars are generally characterized by their "niceness."

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