

## Poetry Packet Test Corrections 21-22

Answer only the questions you got wrong.

### The F Train

1. What does the style of the poem say about the speaker's feelings? The speaker is
2. What do the other people in the poem represent?
3. Which line of the poem uses personification?
4. What is the theme of this poem?

### They Have Yarns by Carl Sandburg

5. Name a modern piece of technology that is NOT mentioned in any of these yarns.
6. The roots of a Missouri corn crop are described as going so deep that they
7. A tall tale is an exaggerated story that is
8. According to one yarn, what happens after the cow swallows a watch?
9. Name a mythical character that is **not** mentioned in these yarns?
10. What is the definition of a tall tale?
11. How would you describe many of these tales: humorous, frightening, sad, angry?

### Grandma Ling

12. Which characteristic does **not** describe both the speaker and her grandmother?
13. The speaker grew up in
14. The speaker is unable to understand her grandmother because her grandmother
15. When do the speaker and her grandmother first meet?
16. Why do the speaker and her grandmother hug?
17. Which lines use color imagery?
18. Imagery is language that appeals to

### A Time to Talk by Robert Frost

19. What kind of work is the speaker doing when he is interrupted?
20. The speaker in the poem is interrupted he,
21. The overall feeling or tone of the poem can *best* be described as
22. Frost writes that the neighbor "slows his horse to a meaning walk." This line suggests that
23. What do you notice about the rhyme scheme in "A Time to Talk"?

### The Courage That My Mother Had by Edna St. Vincent Millay Legacy II by Leroy V. Quintana

24. In "The Courage That My Mother Had," the speaker compares her mother's courage to
25. The speaker in "The Courage That My Mother Had" could spare the brooch her mother left her because
26. How is the speaker in "Legacy II" different from his grandfather?
27. The speaker in "Legacy II" now believes that his grandfather knew
28. In "Legacy II," the grandfather speaks of
29. What kind of poem is "The Courage That My Mother Had"?
30. "Legacy II" is what kind of poetry?

### Birdfoot's Grampa by Joseph Bruchac

31. In "Birdfoot's Grampa," how does the speaker react when the old man tries to save the toads?
32. How does Grampa try to save the toads?
33. What reason does the old man give for trying to save the toads?
34. From the actions that Grampa takes, we can assume he is what type of person?

- 35. How many times does Grampa stop the car?
- 36. What is alliteration?
- 37. Which lines from “Birdfoot’s Grampa” include alliteration?
- 38. Reread lines 5-7. “live drops of rain” is an example of

**Miscellaneous**

- 39. A central idea about human nature or life is a
- 40. “Buzz” is an example of
- 41. Copy out line that has regular meter in “The Courage ...” and label the stressed and unstressed syllables.
- 42. Read this line from a poem we have not studied:  
**Roger would have never admitted to chopping down a cherry tree**  
 This line is an example of

**(#43-47)  
 GUINEA PIG**

by Julie Cadwallader-Staub

As if your cancer weren't enough,  
 the guinea pig is dying.  
 The kids brought him to me  
 wrapped in a bath towel  
 ‘Do something, Mom.                    5  
 Save his life.’

I'm a good mom.  
 I took time from work,  
 drove him to the vet,  
 paid \$77.00 for his antibiotics.    10

Now, after the kids rush off to school,  
 you and I sit on the bed.  
 I hold the guinea pig, since he bites.  
 You fill the syringe.  
 We administer the foul smelling medicine,  
 hoping the little fellow will live.   16

admitting to each other:  
 if he doesn't,  
 it'll be good practice.

- 43. Who is the “you” in the poem?
- 44. What kind of poem is this?
- 45. Line 18 ( *if he doesn't* ): complete the thought – If he doesn't ...
- 46. The poem is called “Guinea Pig” because that is the type of animal talked about in the poem. Why else might the poem be called guinea pig?
- 47. What is the **theme** of the poem?