



AS YOU LIKE IT: ACT 5 SCENE 4
READING COMPREHENSION

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Read each question carefully and choose the correct answer by circling A, B, C, or D.

Question 1

Hymen refers to earthly things being reconciled. What event symbolizes this reconciliation?

- A) the coronation of Duke Senior
- B) the reunification of brothers
- C) the multiple weddings taking place
- D) the defeat of Duke Frederick

Question 2

Who reveals the change of heart in Duke Frederick?

- A) Jaques de Boys
- B) Duke Senior
- C) Oliver
- D) Orlando

Question 3

According to Jaques de Boys, what led Duke Frederick to abandon his plans?

- A) a religious man's influence
- B) his fear of Duke Senior
- C) a failed battle
- D) Rosalind's persuasion

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Question 4

How does the forest of Arden serve as a contrast to the courtly setting in the final scene, particularly during the resolution of the various conflicts?

- A) The forest promotes freedom and harmony, unlike the structured hierarchy of the court.
- B) The forest mirrors the strict rules and order of the court.
- C) The forest is a place of chaos and disorder compared to the court's refinement.
- D) The forest remains irrelevant to the characters' actions.

Question 5

What does Jaques decide to do after learning of Duke Frederick's change of heart and abdication?

- A) return to court
- B) join the religious life
- C) travel with Orlando
- D) celebrate at the wedding

Question 6

What does the resolution of the play suggest about the transformative power of nature compared to the rigid structures of the court?

- A) Nature has no real influence on the characters' growth or outcomes.
- B) Nature allows for personal growth and reconciliation, which the court's rigidity suppresses.
- C) The court is ultimately more transformative than the forest.
- D) The forest forces characters to conform to courtly ideals.

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Question 7

Hymen's role in this scene primarily represents:

- A) war and conflict
- B) the reconciliation of enemies
- C) love and marriage
- D) political power

Question 8

The mood at the end of the scene is:

- A) melancholic
- B) joyful and celebratory
- C) confused
- D) suspenseful

Question 9

What does the forest symbolize in the resolution of the characters' conflicts in this scene?

- A) a return to courtly power and status
- B) a place where characters are reconciled
- C) a space for characters to abandon their identities
- D) a location for revenge and discord