

Heart of Darkness

Joseph Conrad

1. *Heart of Darkness* opens in what setting?

- ☐ (A) A boat on the Congo River
- ☒ (B) A boat on the Thames River
- ☐ (C) The Company's offices in Brussels
- ☐ (D) The Outer Station

1	B
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2. Where does Kurtz die?

- ☐ (A) At the Inner Station
- ☐ (B) In Brussels
- ☒ (C) Aboard Marlow's steamer
- ☐ (D) In the jungle

2	C
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3. What does Marlow discover atop the fence posts at the Inner Station?

- ☒ (A) Human heads
- ☐ (B) Monkey skulls
- ☐ (C) Dead infants
- ☐ (D) The Company flag

3	A
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4. The Company trades primarily in

- ☐ (A) Gold
- ☐ (B) Slaves
- ☐ (C) Bananas
- ☒ (D) Ivory

4	D
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5. Which of the following receives Kurtz's "Report" after his death?

- ☐ (A) Marlow's aunt
- ☐ (B) Kurtz's "Intended"
- ☐ (C) A representative of the Company
- ☒ (D) A journalist

5	D
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6. Most of Marlow's adventures take place in

- ☐ (A) Kenya
- ☐ (B) Rhodesia
- ☒ (C) The Congo
- ☐ (D) England

6	C
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7. Which of the following is not something that Marlow gives to the Russian trader?

- ☒ (A) Food
- ☐ (B) Gun cartridges
- ☐ (C) Tobacco
- ☐ (D) Shoes

7	A
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8. What do the men at the Central Station hear about the fate of the Eldorado Exploring Expedition?

- ☐ (A) That they have been successful and are returning with lots of ivory
- ☒ (B) That the expedition's pack animals are dead
- ☐ (C) That the men have been ambushed and killed by natives
- ☐ (D) That the expedition has found Kurtz

8	B
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9. At the end of his "Report" on the natives, Kurtz writes:

- ☒ (A) "Exterminate all the brutes!"
- ☐ (B) "God help us!"
- ☐ (C) "No more death!"
- ☐ (D) "God save the King!"

9	A
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10. What one thing does Marlow need to repair his wrecked steamer?

- ☐ (A) Steel plates
- ☐ (B) A new boiler
- ☐ (C) Tools
- ☒ (D) Rivets

10	D
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11. Which of the following does not accompany Marlow on his journey up the river from the Central Station?

☒	(A) The chief accountant
☐	(B) The general manager
☐	(C) The cannibals
☐	(D) The pilgrims
11	A

12. How does Marlow's helmsman die?

☐	(A) He is killed and eaten by the cannibals.
☐	(B) He is shot by an angry pilgrim.
☒	(C) He is impaled on a spear thrown from the riverbank.
☐	(D) He falls overboard and drowns.
12	C

13. The Company is

☐	(A) English
☐	(B) French
☐	(C) Dutch
☒	(D) Belgian
13	D

14. At the Company's offices Marlow encounters

☐	(A) Kurtz
☐	(B) Kurtz's fiancée
☒	(C) Two old women knitting
☐	(D) A Russian trader
14	C

15. Why are the cannibals aboard the steamer hungry?

☒	(A) The pilgrims threw their rotting meat overboard.
☐	(B) There are no humans for them to eat.
☐	(C) They have no way to make a fire to cook their food.
☐	(D) They are fasting for religious reasons.
15	A

16. Who is ultimately responsible for the attack on the steamer?

☐ (A) The Russian trader

☐ (B) The general manager

☒ (C) Kurtz

☐ (D) Marlow

16	C
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17. Marlow's predecessor with the Company dies as a result of a quarrel over

☐ (A) Ivory

☒ (B) Hens

☐ (C) A card game

☐ (D) A woman

17	B
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18. The last person Marlow sees in Brussels is

☐ (A) The president of the Company

☐ (B) His aunt

☐ (C) Kurtz's cousin

☒ (D) Kurtz's fiancée

18	D
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19. Who helps Marlow to get a job with the Company?

☐ (A) Kurtz

☐ (B) The Director of Companies

☐ (C) His father

☒ (D) His aunt

19	D
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20. What does the Russian trader leave downriver for the approaching steamer?

☒ (A) Firewood

☐ (B) Water

☐ (C) A map

☐ (D) Food

20	A
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21. Before he goes to Africa, Marlow has been on a voyage through

☐ (A) The South Pacific

☒	(B) Asia
☐	(C) Central America
☐	(D) Alaska
21	B

22. Where does Marlow encounter the “grove of death”?

☐	(A) Brussels
☒	(B) The Outer Station
☐	(C) The Central Station
☐	(D) The Inner Station
22	B

23. The chief accountant’s most notable characteristic is

☐	(A) His bald head
☒	(B) His spotless white clothing
☐	(C) His shining black shoes
☐	(D) His unusual hat
23	B

24. At the Central Station the native laborers burn

☒	(A) A hut full of trade goods
☐	(B) Marlow’s steamer
☐	(C) The chief accountant’s quarters
☐	(D) The surrounding forest
24	A

25. What are Kurtz’s last words?

☐	(A) “Exterminate all the brutes!”
☒	(B) “The horror! The horror!”
☐	(C) His fiancée’s name
☐	(D) “God help me!”