The Pigman- Final Test

Grade 9 English

Value: /80

Name:____________________________________

1. **Vocabulary Matching:** Write the letter of the correct definition next to each word. (20 marks)

___ 1. curvature  
___ 2. momentum  
___ 3. disposition  
___ 4. protruding  
___ 5. infantile  
___ 6. devour  
___ 7. thrive  
___ 8. loathe  
___ 9. maladjusted  
___ 10. hovel  
___ 11. congealed  
___ 12. hawking  
___ 13. disturbed  
___ 14. Attaché case  
___ 15. strenuous  
___ 16. mooching  
___ 17. Incongruous  
___ 18. distort  
___ 19. mull

A. to clear the throat  
B. to push or thrust forward  
C. poorly adjusted  
D. to dislike greatly  
E. to jell  
F. one’s usual mood  
G. to speak falsely  
H. an essential element  
I. a flat case for carrying documents  
J. to make steady progress  
K. to destroy, consume or waste  
L. displaying a lack of maturity  
M. not in agreement  
N. the act of curving  
O. showing symptoms of emotional illness  
P. to twist the truth  
Q. to obtain by begging  
R. requiring great effort or energy  
S. difficult situation  
T. to think about; to ponder  
U. contemplate
2. **Quick Snappers:** Write the appropriate word or words on your looseleaf; do not write the whole sentence. (15 marks)

   a. What is Norton’s nickname?
   b. What is John’s nickname for his father?
   c. What does John’s mother spend all of her time doing?
   d. How much money does Mr. Pignati give to John and Lorraine’s fake charity?
   e. What does John buy with Mr. Pignati’s “charitable donation”?
   f. About what kind of people does Lorraine’s mother always warn her?
   g. What does John find that tells him Mrs. Pignati is actually dead?
   h. What happened to the dress Helen tried on?
   i. Who has very interesting green eyes that scan like nervous radar?
   j. Who is Conchetta?
   k. What was Mr. Pignati’s job before he retired?
   l. Who is passed out in the police car?
   m. Who takes things from her employers?
   n. Where does Mr. Pignati die?
   o. Who is six feet tall, handsome, with gigantic blue eyes?

3. **True or False:** Write “T” for “true” and “F” for “false” (5 marks)

   ___ a. Mr. Pignati is sent to the hospital with a severe case of food poisoning.
   ___ b. Lorraine’s father is dead.
   ___ c. Bobo dies while Mr. Pignati is in the hospital.
   ___ d. John and Lorraine are arrested for damaging Mr. Pignati’s house.
   ___ e. The Pigman’s house is across the street from a convent.
   ___ f. Lorraine’s mother is dishonest.
   ___ g. Lorraine is very unattractive
   ___ h. Mr. Pignati is fond of Bobo because he is cute and friendly.
   ___ i. Mr. Pignati is generous and trusting.
   ___ j. Lorraine’s mother forgave Lorraine’s father.
4. **Multiple Choice:** Number from 1-10 (on your looseleaf) and write the most correct letter. (10 marks)

1. When John and Lorraine first met on the bus,
   a. John made fun of Lorraine
   b. Lorraine thought John was funny looking
   c. They laughed hysterically together
   d. Lorraine told John he was a lunatic

2. John’s parents
   a. Have only one child
   b. Make John feel like he is a disturbance to them
   c. Disapprove of his drinking
   d. Argue with each other all the time

3. Lorraine’s mother’s job is
   a. Private Nurse
   b. Hospital Nurse
   c. waitress at Stryker’s Lunchenonette
   d. she is on social assistance

4. Who is the Beast?
   a. Bobo
   b. Deanna Deas
   c. Jane Appling
   d. Helen Kazinski

5. Mr. Pignati’s first name is
   a. George
   b. Kenneth
   c. Angelo
   d. Antonio

6. Who has eyes like a mean mouse?
   a. Norton  
   c. John
   b. Dennis  
   d. John’s dad
7. Mr. Pignati’s house
   a. Was very large, dirty and messy
   b. Was cluttered but had a nice smell
   c. Was across the street from the zoo
   d. Was in disarray but clean as a whistle

8. Mr. Pignati gives John and Lorraine the keys to his house
   a. Before he enters the hospital
   b. While he is in the hospital
   c. As he is leaving the hospital to go to the zoo

9. Bobo is
   a. A monkey
   b. A gorilla
   c. A chimpanzee
   d. A baboon

10. Which of the following words would NOT describe John?
    a. Sarcastic
    b. Alienated
    c. Insecure
    d. Rebellious

5. **Longer Response:** Select any “3” of the following and respond thoughtfully in 1-2 well rounded paragraphs. *Remember, what you say is as important as how you say it!* (5 marks/ question)

1. Mr. Pignati acts as a substitute parent for John and Lorraine. Prove this statement is true by referring to 3 specific examples from the novel to substantiate your response.
2. Compare John and Lorraine. Discuss 3 significant ways they are alike AND 3 significant ways they are different.
3. Paul Zindel has said that he tries to write his books for teenagers who do not like to read. Do you think *The Pigman* is a book that teenagers who do not ordinarily enjoy reading would like? **EXPLAIN** why or why not.
4. **DISCUSS** and **EXPLAIN** 4 things you have learned (what it has taught you) from reading this novel.
5. How do you think Lorraine and John’s lives will be different because they knew Mr. Pignati? **SUPPORT** your answer by providing 2 specific examples of how they may change.
6. **Essay Question:** Please answer the following question using the Hamburg Model (intro, body, closing.) Answer the question on your own paper. *Remember, what you say is as important as how you say it!* (15 marks)

Abuse exists within the novel, The Pigman. **EXPLAIN** the forms it takes and where it exists. Provide examples to substantiate your responses.