

2023 Academic Challenge SECTIONAL ENGLISH EXAM

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Time: 40 Minutes Number of Questions: 80

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In Items 1-10, choose the standard spelling for each word.

1.		6.		
	a. Metasizeb. Metestasizec. Metasasized. Metastasize		a. b. c. d.	Ireligious Un-religious Ereligious Irreligious
2.	a. Unbelievableb. Unbelieveablec. Unbelievibled. Unbeleveable	7.	a. b. c. d.	Wreaked Wreeked Reaked Wreacked
3.	a. Surleyb. Surlyc. Serlyd. Serley	8.	a. b. c. d.	Kerfufle Kerluffle Kerfuffle Kerfluffel
4.	a. Regrettebleb. Regretablec. Regrettabled. Regrettible	9.	a. b. c. d.	Descendant Desendant Descandant Descandent
5.	a. Distintiveb. Dystinctivec. Distinctived. Distincktive	10.	a. b. c. d.	Acoustic Akoustic Acustic Acoostic

In items 11-30, find the answer that best develops the meaning of the word in boldface.

- 11. The graduate instructor enjoyed friendly banter with her students until her supervisor **admonished** her for failing to maintain authority.
 - a. The supervisor fired the instructor because she wasn't teaching properly.
 - b. The instructor has been placed on administrative leave without pay.
 - c. The supervisor yelled at the instructor because her friendly demeanor undercut her authority in the classroom.
 - d. The supervisor warned the instructor that being too friendly might conflict with her authority and ability to teach the students.

- 12. I understand it's a beautiful day out but please don't dawdle on your way to my house.
 - a. You might lose your way to my house if you start daydreaming as you enjoy the nice weather.
 - b. Don't skip your way to my house because you might hurt yourself.
 - c. Don't stop to have conservations with the many neighbors out enjoying the beautiful day.
 - d. You might be tempted to spend too long on your way over because you're enjoying nice weather.
- 13. Gerald's friends want to buy him a goldfish for his birthday, but his inability to even regularly water his plants tells them he might be too **negligent** for a pet.
 - a. Gerald's carelessness for his plants could mean he is too unreliable for a pet.
 - b. His memory is too poor to remember to take care of a pet.
 - c. Gerald needs help around the house before he could take care of a pet.
 - d. If Gerald dislikes his plants, he will also dislike a goldfish.
- 14. It will be difficult to form an **impartial** jury for this drunk driving case.
 - a. Alcohol dependency is a sad reality for so many that it will be difficult to find jury members who don't struggle with the addiction.
 - b. Drunk driving cases inspire strong negative emotions, which makes it difficult for jury members to treat the accused fairly.
 - c. It will be challenging to form a complete jury instead of a partial one.
 - d. Once anyone hears what the case is about, they will refuse to be part of the jury.
- 15. Although I wanted to write my research paper on nineteenth-century parades in New York state, I have to switch topics because of a **dearth** of sources.
 - a. I'm noticing most sources are too biased to use in my research.
 - b. The sources on my original topic are too outdated to be credible anymore.
 - c. My original topic was too obscure to find a large enough number of sources for my research.
 - d. No such parades ever existed.
- 16. I know your brother told you something he shouldn't have, but please **feign** surprise when you walk in the door to your birthday party.
 - a. Pretend to be in a good mood at the party despite the bad news your brother shared with you.
 - b. Please don't scream too loudly when we surprise you for your birthday.
 - c. Your brother told you about the surprise birthday party so now you will have to pretend you didn't know.
 - d. Even though everyone knows the surprise was ruined we still want you to be grateful for the party.
- 17. It can be difficult to convince students that not every example must be emulated.
 - a. Students like to make fun of bad examples.
 - b. The examples are frequently plagiarized by students.
 - c. The students spend far too long studying the examples.
 - d. Students falsely believe the examples typify the best work that could be produced for the assignment.

- 18. After burning Thanksgiving dinner last year, Michelle hopes that ordering takeout will **redeem** her to her guests.
 - a. Michelle feels that she owes a good meal to her guests because they were disappointed last year.
 - b. Michelle will pretend that the takeout is her own cooking.
 - c. Her guests haven't spoken to her since last year's disastrous Thanksgiving.
 - d. It isn't safe for Michelle to attempt cooking again.
- 19. The standard test time allotted is two hours, but for those with added challenges like dyslexia a more **equitable** test time is three hours.
 - a. Although dyslexia makes reading the exam difficult, it isn't fair to give some students more time than others.
 - b. It doesn't really matter if students take the test in two hours or three because they're all being graded the same.
 - c. Providing extra time to students who will take longer to read the exam is fair treatment.
 - d. Dyslexia is the only condition for which extra test time should be given.
- 20. The executives made the **unilateral** decision to allot limited raises to their sales team.
 - a. Not all the executives agreed to limit the raises to the sales team.
 - b. The decision affected the sales team without the agreement of other departments, who also wanted raises.
 - c. The decision was unpopular among everyone at the company.
 - d. All the executives agreed to the decision because the sales team is the most important department at the company.
- 21. Rian power lifts five days a week and **bolsters** her diet with protein supplements.
 - a. Rian only eats protein supplements.
 - b. Rian can satisfy her cravings for junk food by eating protein supplements instead.
 - c. Power lifting requires a huge number of calories and protein supplements are an easy walk to bulk up.
 - d. If Rian didn't eat protein supplements, it would be impossible for her to power lift.
- 22. Liza adopted the puppy so **impetuously** that she didn't even have a leash to walk him.
 - a. She hadn't planned for the puppy.
 - b. Liza is irresponsible because she forgot to buy pet supplies.
 - c. She should have waited but she knew she'd be too busy the rest of the week to bring the puppy home.
 - d. Liza was so excited for a puppy that she didn't care to prepare.

- 23. Astronauts undergo training underwater in order to **simulate** the conditions of space.
 - a. Underwater conditions are the closest the astronauts can come to zero gravity without being in space.
 - b. Astronauts will need to hold their breath in space similarly to holding their breath underwater.
 - c. If an astronaut is too afraid to train underwater, they are unlikely to handle the effects of space well.
 - d. Training underwater is far cheaper than in space and is similar enough to prepare astronauts.
- 24. You may wish for children who do chores on the weekend without you asking, but it's in their nature to be **indolent** on a Saturday afternoon watching cartoons.
 - a. Children will yell and scream if you ask them to do chores on a Saturday.
 - b. Children are naturally more disobedient on weekends.
 - c. Children are too distracted by cartoons to realize you need help around the house
 - d. After waking up for school all week, of course children enjoy being lazy on Saturdays.
- 25. Professor Kaufman can be difficult to understand because he frequently **digresses** before making his main point.
 - a. The professor coughs while he talks.
 - b. The professor interrupts himself with lesser points.
 - c. The professor guizzes the students before giving them the answer.
 - d. The professor starts to doze off as he lectures.
- 26. The actress wants the public to recognize that a large amount of her success should be **attributed** to her mother, who worked three jobs to provide for her.
 - a. Her mother had small roles in many of the actress's films.
 - b. If her mother hadn't made sacrifices for her, the actress could never have pursued an acting career.
 - c. The public doesn't care about her mother because she isn't famous.
 - d. The actress wishes her mother would receive a reward for everything she's done.
- 27. The political commentator is afraid to change his mind because he knows it would mean **estranging** his fan base.
 - a. His fans might become violent.
 - b. If he changes his mind, his fans will no longer receive accurate information because he will be too biased.
 - c. Changing his mind would set a good example for his fans.
 - d. His job depends on holding certain opinions because that's what his fan base expects to hear.

- 28. This new drug could be instrumental in treating a rare disease but the FDA hasn't **sanctioned** it yet.
 - a. The FDA must purchase the rights to the drug.
 - b. The drug will need more publicity before it can be released.
 - c. The drug isn't at the stage where it would gain FDA approval yet.
 - d. The FDA refuses to approve a promising drug because of a conflict of interest.
- 29. I love babysitting but I find changing diapers so **repugnant** that I won't babysit children who haven't been potty trained.
 - a. Changing diapers is too complicated for me.
 - b. It's the parents' responsibility to potty train their children, not mine.
 - c. My refusal to change diapers has gotten me into trouble with babysitting clients in the past.
 - d. Although I enjoy babysitting, dirty diapers go beyond my comfort level, so I find ways to avoid them.
- 30. Despite being threatened with jail time, the suspect was **recalcitrant** when detectives implored him to give up his co-conspirators.
 - a. The suspect would rather go to jail than speak out against his co-conspirators.
 - b. The suspect grew angry when continuously asked for information.
 - c. The suspect pretended he had no memory of his co-conspirators.
 - d. The suspect was adamant that he was the only guilty one and wasn't afraid to go to jail.

In items 31-35, select the sentence that has no errors in grammar, punctuation, or mechanics.

- 31.
- a. I am in disparate need of a new hobby irrelated to my graduate research.
- b. For example, my friend Tonya, she spends all day cultivating cells but then goes rock climbing in the evening.
- c. Breaking her usual routine in a focused yet low-stress way has been healing for Tonya.
- d. For me, it's hard to say what my hobby would be I'm more bookish than Tonya but I already stare at screens to long every day.
- 32.
- a. I've recently innovated a way to reproduce my favorite drink at a fraction of the cost.
- b. Whenever I started drinking coffee three years ago, I am obsessed with mochas.
- c. Coffee is so bitter but a mocha is more like a dessert; I would drink one everyday if they aren't so expensive.
- d. Therefore, my innovation: brew your own coffee at home adding a scoop of hot cocoa powder!

33.

- a. Sleep is essential for adolescents so yet why do high schools start the school day so early?
- b. Lack of sleep affects student athletes even more acutely.
- c. We shouldn't force students to choose between an already mieger amount of sleep and even less sleep if they want to be athletes.
- d. All students should be able to get enough sleep to acheive both academically and personally.

34.

- a. Daniel tries to buy a soda but the vending machine breaked down.
- b. The soda is trapped on between the glass and the machine door.
- c. Daniel calls the number on the machine, that's because he either wants his money back or the soda he paid for.
- d. Unfortunately, Daniel is placed on hold and he must hurry to class before anyone can pick up.

35.

- a. Although an ocean-view apartment sounds dreamy, those high rises come at a cost.
- b. Affordable housing is often torn down in order to built more expensive high rise apartments.
- c. This forces familys who have lived in the area for years to move out whenever they can no longer afford to live there.
- d. Additionally high rise apartments are often built cheaply and quickly with detramental environmental impacts.

In items 36-45, select the sentence group that best revises any grammatical or punctuation errors or improves the style. If you see no error, select "no change necessary."

- 36. Never go hiking in the desert alone.
 - a. Never should go hiking in the desert alone.
 - b. Never go hiking in the desert, alone.
 - c. Never go hiking in the dessert alone.
 - d. No change necessary
- 37. It was a warm summer evening, we were on our backs watching for comets in the night sky.
 - a. It was a warm summer evening, and we were on our backs watching for comets in the night sky.
 - b. It's a warm summer evening and we were on our backs; watching for comets in the night sky.
 - c. It was a warm summer evening: we were on our backs watching for comets in the night sky.
 - d. No change necessary

- 38. I nearly forget to tell you that we can't see Melinda tonight, she is feeling sick.
 - a. I nearly forgot to told you that we can't see Melinda tonight; she is feeling sick.
 - b. I had nearly forgot to tell you that we can't see Melina tonight and she is feeling sick.
 - c. I nearly forgot to tell you that we can't see Melinda tonight because she is feeling sick.
 - d. No change necessary
- 39. Lots of people rush into dating but its important to avoid social pressure and think carefully about what you want in a relationship.
 - a. Many people rush into dating, but it's important to avoid social pressure and think carefully about what you want in a relationship.
 - b. Lot's of people rush into dating but its important to avoid social pressure, and think carefully about what you want in a relationship.
 - c. People rush into dating but it's important to avoid social pressure: think carefully about what you want in a relationship.
 - d. No change necessary
- 40. The small red squirrel hesitated at the edge of the road before dashing across against the break in traffic.
 - a. The small, red squirrel hesitated at the road edge before dashed throughout the break in traffic.
 - b. The small red squirrel, hesitated at the edge of the road before dashing across through the break in traffic.
 - c. The small, red squirrel hesitated at the edge of the road before dashing across during the break in traffic.
 - d. No change necessary
- 41. Wherever did you get that amazing dress, with all the sparkles?
 - a. Where did you get that amazing dress with all the sparkles?
 - b. Where had you got that amazing dress with all the sparkles?
 - c. Wherever did you get that amazing, sparkled dress?
 - d. No change necessary
- 42. An frequently overlooked issue during the rigorous of medical school is mental heath tolls.
 - a. A frequently overlooked issue through the rigorous of medical school is the mental health tolls.
 - b. A frequently overlooked issue during the rigors of medical school is the mental health toll on med students.
 - c. An frequently overlooked issue through the rigors of medical school are the mental health tolls that are on med students.
 - d. No change necessary
- 43. Whenever I feel overwhelmed, I take a brisk walk through my local park.
 - a. When I feel overwhelmed, I took a brisk walk through my local park.
 - b. Whenever I feel overwhelmed, I am taking a brisk walk through my local park.
 - c. When I feel overwhelmed: I take a brisk walk through my local park.
 - d. No change necessary

- 44. Flannery O'Connor, an American writer who lived in the twentieth century, is best-known for her Southern Gothic style and fixation on religion, disability, and class.
 - a. Flannery O'Connor is an American writer who lived in the twentieth century and is best known for her Southern Gothic style and fixation on religion, disability, and class.
 - b. The 20th century American writer Flannery O'Connor was best-known for her Southern Gothic style and fixation on religion, disability, and class.
 - c. Flannery O'Connor, a twentieth century American writer, is best-known for her southern gothic style and fixation on religion, disability, and class.
 - d. No change necessary
- 45. To make coffee in the coffee maker: first add grounds into the coffee filter. Then, fill the jug with water with amount of the coffee you want to drink and pour into the back of the coffee maker. Press brew and enjoy.
 - a. To make coffee in the coffee maker, first add grounds into the coffee filter, then fill jug with water in the amount of coffee you want to drink, pour into the back of the coffee maker, press brew and enjoy.
 - b. To make coffee in the coffee maker, first add grounds into the coffee filter. Then, fill the jug with as much water as you want coffee and pour into the back of the coffee maker. Finally, press brew and enjoy.
 - c. Make coffee in the coffee maker: add grounds into coffee filter. Fill jug with water in as much coffee as you want. Pour into back of coffee maker, press brew and enjoy the coffee.
 - d. No change necessary

In items 46-50, select the phrase that best describes the underlined words.

- 46. I snatched the newspaper out of his hand.
 - a. Past perfect tense
 - b. Present simple tense
 - c. Past simple tense
 - d. Passive voice
- 47. His cooking is my greatest source of joy.
 - a. Appositive
 - b. Past tense
 - c. Gerund
 - d. Active voice
- 48. The organization was founded in 1888.
 - a. Indicative mood
 - b. Coordinating conjunction
 - c. Passive voice
 - d. Active voice

- 49. We went into the museum together.
 - a. Preposition
 - b. Interjection
 - c. Adverb
 - d. Conjunction
- 50. Hey! Where do you think you're going?
 - a. Imperative mood
 - b. Exposition
 - c. Adjective
 - d. Interjection

Toni Morrison (1931-2019) was a highly influential novelist, poet, and literary theorist. Her work brought African American stories and representation to the American literary canon. Morrison's non-fiction book *Playing in the Dark: Whiteness and the Literary Imagination* (1990) explores how researchers study American literature. Read the selection and answer questions in the following items.

- 1 It is possible, for example, to read Henry James scholarship exhaustively and never
- 2 arrive at a nodding mention, much less a satisfactory treatment, of the black woman
- 3 who lubricates the turn of the plot and becomes the agency of moral choice and
- 4 meaning in What Maisie Knew...It is hard to think of any aspect of Gertrude Stein's
- 5 Three Lives that has not been covered, except the exploratory and explanatory uses to
- 6 which she puts the black woman who holds center stage in that work. The urgency and
- 7 anxiety in Willa Cather's rendering of black characters are liable to missed entirely; no
- 8 mention is made of the problem that race causes in the technique and the credibility of
- 9 her last novel, Sapphira and the Slave Girl. These critics see no excitement or meaning

in

- the tropes of darkness, sexuality, and desire in Ernest Hemingway or in his cast of black
- men. They see no connection between God's grace and Africanist "othering" in Flannery
- 12 O'Connor. With few exceptions, Faulkner criticism collapses the major themes of that
- 13 writer into discursive "mythologies" and treats the later works—whose focus is race and
- 14 class—as minor, superficial, marked by decline.
- 51. In Line 1, "Henry James scholarship" refers to
 - a. Descriptions that librarians have written about Henry James
 - b. Academic articles and books by professors and researchers
 - c. Book reports by middle school students
 - d. A college fund for high-achieving students

- 52. In Line 1, the adverb "exhaustively" likely means
 - a. With boredom
 - b. Angrily
 - c. With excitement
 - d. Completely
- 53. Lines 2-4 suggest that
 - a. Maisie is actually a black woman
 - b. James was actually a black man
 - c. Scholars have ignored the importance of the black woman in the text
 - d. Scholars have overemphasized the importance of the black woman in the text
- 54. According to Line 3, the black woman is key to the novel's
 - a. Plot and morality
 - b. Imagery and allegory
 - c. Eschatological meaning
 - d. Personification of natural forces
- 55. Lines 4-5 posit that
 - a. Scholars have rejected Stein because she was a woman
 - b. Scholars should stop writing about Stein because her work is much too racist
 - c. Stein was an anti-racist writer
 - d. Scholars should notice how a black character affects the author and the text
- 56. Based on context, we can infer that Willa Cather (mentioned in Line 7) is
 - a. A professional researcher
 - b. An American author
 - c. A black character in American literature
 - d. One of Morrison's colleagues
- 57. According to Morrison, Ernest Hemingway (in Line 10) is preoccupied with the intersections of race, blackness, and
 - a. Sex and gender
 - b. Politics
 - c. Linguistics
 - d. Ancient history and archaeology
- 58. According to Line 11, scholars have failed to notice how Flannery O'Connor
 - a. Makes all her main characters African Americans
 - b. Incorporates African settings into her literature
 - c. Develops an anti-African American version of Christian salvation
 - d. Creates the idea of a post-racial American utopia
- 59. The term "Africanist othering" in Line 11 likely refers to
 - a. The way African writers embrace nationalism at the expense of other African nations
 - b. The way Connor is interested in portraying Africans as outsiders
 - c. The way African American writers have developed a new kind of literature
 - d. The way publishing companies do not publish books by black writers

- 60. According to Lines 12-14, William Faulkner
 - a. Was determined to ignore the problem of racism in the post-Civil War South
 - b. Was dropped by his literary agent for his racism
 - c. Was rejected from jobs because of his anti-racism
 - d. Wrote very much about race and discrimination in the South

William Shakespeare (1564-1616) was an influential actor, dramatist, and poet of early modern England. His sonnets are highly personal works, circulated to a private audience of his close contacts. Read the poem "As an unperfect actor on the stage" and answer questions in the following items.

- 1 As an unperfect actor on the stage
- Who with his fear is put besides his part,
- 3 Or some fierce thing replete with too much rage,
- 4 Whose strength's abundance weakens his own heart.
- 5 So I, for fear of trust, forget to say
- 6 The perfect ceremony of love's rite,
- 7 And in mine own love's strength seem to decay,
- 8 Overcharged with burden of mine own love's might.
- 9 O, let my books be then the eloquence
- 10 And dumb presagers of my speaking breast,
- 11 Who plead for love and look for recompense
- More than that tongue that more hath more expressed.
- O, learn to read what silent love hath writ:
- To hear with eyes belongs to love's fine wit.
- 61. This sonnet has the rhyme scheme
 - a. AABBCCDDAABBEE
 - b. ABCDABCDEFGHGH
 - c. ABABCDCDEFEFGG
 - d. ABACDEDFGHGIJJ
- 62. The final two lines of the sonnet form
 - a. A trochee
 - b. A couplet
 - c. A climax
 - d. A spondee
- 63. Line 1 features what kind of figurative language?
 - a. Simile
 - b. Metaphor
 - c. Allegory
 - d. Personification
- 64. In Line 2, "put besides his part" likely means
 - a. Is given the leading role
 - b. Is rejected by his lover
 - c. Is cast alongside his sworn enemy
 - d. Is distracted from his lines

- 65. In line 3, the "fierce thing" is likely
 - a. The actor from Line 1
 - b. The "I" of Line 5
 - c. A book from Line 9
 - d. The tongue from Line 12

66. In Line 6, the "perfect ceremony of love's rite" sounds like the profession of wedding vows. Why does the speaker create this effect?

- a. To propose marriage to his beloved
- b. To suggest that professing his love is as serious as wedding rites
- c. To explain why he cannot consummate his relationship
- d. To criticize the institution of marriage
- 67. The main idea of Lines 1-8 is that
 - a. The speaker is too emotionally overwhelmed to speak eloquently to his beloved
 - The speaker is terrified and enraged at the thought of losing his beloved, so he will write to her
 - c. The speaker is merely a poor actor, so he will wait to marry his beloved until he is financially successful
 - d. The speaker intends to immortalize his unrequited love in poetry and plays
- 68. The "dumb presagers" of line 10 are
 - a. Ignorant townspeople
 - b. Annoying actors
 - c. Unspeaking signs
 - d. Maleficent messengers
- 69. Lines 13-14 employ what kind of grammatical mood?
 - a. Subjunctive
 - b. Interrogative
 - c. Indicative
 - d. Imperative
- 70. In Line 14, the phrase "hear with eyes" describes
 - a. Delusion
 - b. To feast upon one's beauty
 - c. Sensory overlap
 - d. Supernatural visions

Walt Whitman (1819-1892) is considered a great early American poet. Whitman's poetry is known for its universalism and humanism, elements he expresses in a distinctly American mode. Read the following selections from his poem "I Sing the Body Electric" (1855) and answer questions in the following items.

- 1 I sing the body electric,
- The armies of those I love engirth me and I engirth them,
- They will not let me off till I go with them, respond to them,
- 4 And discorrupt them, and charge them full with the charge of the soul.

- 5 Was it doubted that those who corrupt their own bodies conceal themselves?
- And if those who defile the living are as bad as they who defile the dead?
- 7 And if the body does not do fully as much as the soul?
- 8 And if the body were not the soul, what is the soul?
- 9 I have perceived that to be with those I like is enough,
- To stop in company with the rest at evening is enough,
- To be surrounded by beautiful, curious, breathing laughing flesh is enough,
- 12 To pass among them or touch any one,
- Or rest my arm ever so lightly round his or her neck
- 14 For a moment, what is this then?
- 15 I do not ask any more delight, I swim in it as in a sea.
- The thin red jellies within you or within me, the bones and the marrow in the bones,
- 17 The exquisite realization of health;
- O I say these are not the parts and poems of the body only, but of the soul,
- O I say now these are the soul!
- 71. In Line 1, the "body electric" refers to the idea of
 - a. The human body as a cyborg
 - b. The human body as a product of the Industrial Revolution
 - c. The human body as a product of the moon's phases
 - d. The human body as interconnected and energized
- 72. Which term would NOT be a synonym for "engirth" in Line 2?
 - a. Envelope
 - b. Embark
 - c. Embrace
 - d. Incorporate
- 73. In Line 4, the speaker uses the phrase "discorrupt them". What does this likely suggest?
 - a. He will illuminate their minds with science
 - b. He will purify their sins with repentance
 - c. He will connect with the emotionally and spiritually
 - d. He will teach them about modern hygiene
- 74. Lines 5-8 feature a sequence of
 - a. Rhetorical questions
 - b. Cliffhangers
 - c. Allusions
 - d. Symbols
- 75. In Lines 7-8, the speaker suggests that
 - a. Jewish values There is no such thing as the soul
 - b. The body and soul are the same
 - c. The body is unfit to house the soul
 - d. The soul is not suited to the body

- 76. What is the "delight" described in Line 15?
 - a. To experience romantic love
 - b. To have children
 - c. To succeed in one's goals
 - d. To be in the company of friends
- 77. What is the role of the body in Lines 9-15?
 - a. It facilitates joy through laughter and touch
 - b. It works hard in the service of worthy goals
 - c. It should be shaped and decorated beautifully
 - d. It reminds humans that nothing survives forever
- 78. How might we describe the "thin red jellies" of Line 16?
 - a. Crabapples hanging on trees
 - b. Holiday desserts shared among friends
 - c. Blood spilled on the battlefield
 - d. Veins and organs
- 79. Line 18 likens the human body to
 - a. An animal body
 - b. A literary composition
 - c. A well-oiled machine
 - d. A rusty but beloved machine
- 80. Lines 18 and 19 feature
 - a. Kennings
 - b. Simile
 - c. Elegy
 - d. Anaphora