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Test Bank, Chapter 2

Quiz questions set 1. True or False?

1. ^According to the text, knowledge, not character, is required if one is to apply critical thinking to life.
F
2. Socrates was a supporter of the Thirty Tyrants.
F
3. The Thirty Tyrants executed political opponents and took away rights—just like dictators of today.
T
4. Athens won the Peloponnesian War.
F
5. Socrates was a strong advocate of direct democracy.
F
6. ^The Thirty Tyrants formed a democratically elected government.
F
7. Socrates argued that reason ought to rule the other two parts of the soul.
T
8. Socrates argued that reason needs to be corrected by the emotions.
F
9. ^Socrates argued for the immortality of the soul.
T
10. Socrates was executed by the Athenian state.
T
11. Socrates could have escaped his sentence if he had wanted to.
T
12. ^Socrates advocated trying the generals as a group, rather than one by one.
F
13. Socrates arrested the former general Leon on orders from the junta.
F
14. ^Socrates served as Prime Minister of Athens.
F
15. Socrates argued that reason must serve desire and emotion.
F
16. ^Socrates believed that all human beings are in some important sense equal.
T
17. Socrates talked only with educated people.
F
18. One of Socrates's moral failures was his refusal to talk with women.
F
19. ^Socrates was executed for sending aid to Sparta.
F
20. Socrates was executed for deserting his post in the Peloponnesian War.
F

Quiz questions set 2. Multiple Choice. Choose the best answer. (Correct answers are marked with an asterisk.)

1. ^Socrates was charged with these two offenses:
 - a. speeding with his chariot and failing to obey a traffic officer
 - b. fraud and not paying his taxes
 - c. hitting his wife and kicking his dog
 - d. *not believing in the traditional gods and corrupting the youth
2. Which of the following are among the character traits required for effective critical thinking?
 - a. pride and prejudice
 - b. *humility and courage
 - c. honesty and a sense of humor
 - d. mathematical abilities and musical talent
3. ^Socrates argued that these are the three parts of the soul:
 - a. reason, emotions, taste
 - b. emotions, sight, sense
 - c. *reason, passion, appetite
 - d. reason, will, love
4. Socrates defined truth as:
 - a. what you believe to be true.
 - b. what you are ignorant of.
 - c. what most people believe.
 - d. what the gods say.
 - e. *correspondence with reality.
5. Reason is preeminent because:
 - a. it is the only faculty available for correcting errant feelings and desires.
 - b. it is the only part of the soul capable of examining and correcting itself.
 - c. *both of the above.
 - d. none of the above.

Quiz questions set 3. Short Answers

1. Defend the claim that reason ought to rule the other parts of the soul.
2. What character traits do you believe are required for effective critical thinking? Why?
3. Explain an episode from the life of Socrates that you believe illustrates character.
4. What is Socrates's idea of human equality?
5. What characteristics does Socrates require in a good interlocutor?
6. Should feeling or desire rule the soul? Argue for your position.