

Listening Guide- *Animal Farm* Short Story Supplement

Anton Chekov

1. Short stories are unique in that they have to be extremely _____ and focused; it's not just a shorter sequence of events.
2. These Russian writers _____ write about the heroic.
3. The 19th century is definitely the _____ of Russian literature.
4. Matthew Arnold, the poet who wrote "Dover Beach" famously said that a work of Tolstoy is "not a piece of art but a piece of _____."
5. There are over 8000 types of _____ in these stories.
6. He was born on January 29, 1860 and died in _____.
7. His father actually had to purchase his own _____ from serfdom.
8. Chekov's family made a great effort to _____ Chekov, and eventually he would graduate from medical school.
9. He was a practicing _____, but his heart must have been big because he almost never charged for his medical services.
10. This story will start like every other story- with the _____.
11. In the exposition, generally speaking, we meet _____, we find a setting, we see the point of view and we're going to set the mood.
12. "It was a dark, autumn night, the old _____ was walking up and down his study..."
13. "The death sentence and the life sentence are equally _____, but if I had to choose between the death penalty and imprisonment for life, I would choose the second.
14. So you see a nervous guy, a jittery guy, and they're argumentative; they're highly intelligent. These are all things we are learning _____.
15. What is it saying about an older man who clearly is willing to _____ this young man who he finds rash and senseless and reckless.
16. "It was decided that the young man should spend the years of his _____ under the strict supervision in one of the lodges in the banker's garden."
17. Remember, setting is not just location; it's _____.

18. One of the most absolutely cruel forms of punishment psychologically is _____.
19. “_____ are the worst foes of the prisoner.”
20. “In the second half of the sixth year, the prisoner began zealously studying languages, philosophy and _____.”
21. I do want to point out that the _____, that’s a Christian text; that’s the New Testament of the Christian Bible.
22. If you were a _____ in solitary confinement, your mind has a lot of work it has to do to entertain itself and keep it going.
23. “Cursed bet!” muttered the old man clutching his head in _____, ‘Why didn’t the man die? He’s only 40 now...’
24. This story is the _____ versus the banker; does he have it in him to kill a man?
25. “There was not a _____ there; there was a bedstead with no bedding on it, and in the _____ there was a dark cast iron stove.”
26. “He was asleep; in front of his bowed head there lay on the table a _____ of _____ on which there was something written in fine handwriting.”
27. “For _____ years I have been intently studying earthly life.”
28. “I know that I am wiser than all of you, and I despise your _____.”
29. “I shall go out from here _____ minutes before the time fixed and so break the compact.”
30. In his isolation, he had become part of _____, or he feels like he has seen into heaven.
31. He assumes this _____ and makes peace with it at the end.