

## ***Great American Authors since 1650***

### **Blackline Master Quiz 8A Program 1: 1958 to Present**

Circle correct answer

1. *A Raisin in the Sun* was written by
  - a. Lorraine Hansberry
  - b. James Baldwin
  - c. Gwendolyn Brooks
  - d. Amy Tan
  
2. *A Raisin in the Sun* is the story about
  - a. A black family in Chicago
  - b. The Underground Railroad
  - c. Slavery
  - d. None of the above
  
3. 'Catch-22' has entered the English language as a term for an absurd and contradictory situation or bureaucratic rule.
  - a. True
  - b. False
  
4. *In Cold Blood* was written by
  - a. Joseph Heller
  - b. Amy Tan
  - c. Truman Capote
  - d. None of the above
  
5. *In Cold Blood* tells the story of
  - a. The assassination of President Kennedy
  - b. Two drifters who murder a Kansas farm family
  - c. Famous vampires in history
  - d. None of the above
  
6. *Slaughterhouse Five* is a sequel to Upton Sinclair's, *The Jungle*, and an expose of the meatpacking industry.
  - a. True
  - b. False
  
7. John Updike's *Rabbit* series is about
  - a. PETA and the fur industry
  - b. Famous rabbits in American literature, including Peter Cottontail and the Easter bunny
  - c. Small town life in the Midwest
  - d. American suburban life in Pennsylvania

8. *The Joy Luck Club* was written by
  - a. Toni Morrison
  - b. Alice Walker
  - c. Amy Tan
  - d. Oprah Winfrey
  
9. In 1993 Toni Morrison won which award for her writing
  - a. The Pulitzer
  - b. The Newberry medal
  - c. The New York Times Book Critics Award
  - d. The Nobel Prize for Literature
  
10. August Wilson's *Pittsburgh Cycle* is
  - a. A series of ten plays about black life in America
  - b. An expose about pro sports in Pennsylvania
  - c. A biography of Andrew Carnegie and the steel industry
  - d. None of the above
  
11. Cormac McCarthy won the Pulitzer Prize for
  - a. *Catch 22*
  - b. *The Road*
  - c. *The Color Purple*
  - d. None of the above