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UNIT-1: The Alchemist by Ben Jonson

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1) "The Alchemist" and "Volpone" are the two great master pieces of Ben Jonson, also the asserts of Jacobean drama. Identify the signature quality that is common in the characters of both the comedies.

- A:) Altruism
- B:) Obsession
- C:) Empathy
- D:) Absurdism

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2) Jonson is regarded as the first great English neoclassic. Identify the other writer, like Jonson, who was also in revolt against the artistic principles of his contemporaries.

A:) Donne

B:) Spencer

C:) Drayton

D:) Burton

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3) Balance of humours is determined on the basis of blood, phlegm, choler and melancholy. These elements have a corresponding relationship with the physical elements of nature. Which is "not" one of the following?

A:) Air

B:) Earth

C:) Sky

D:) Water

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4) Despite having all the literary qualities as gift, which of the following hindered Jonson from becoming a part of the circle of "greatness"?

A:) Insight into contemporary

B:) Versatility

C:) Nimbleness in wit

D:) Scantiness of reality

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5) Identify the one whose account tells that Jonson had some knowledge of astrology, who also had an anecdote as an evidence of Jonson's sceptic interest in alchemy.

- A:) William Drummond
- **B:)** Phineas Fletcher
- C:) George Gascoigne
- D:) Cyril Tourneur

6) The farcical build-up of the plays "The Alchemist" and "Volpone" reach a climax of _____ and _____ that is unique in Jacobean theatre.

A:) Deceit and Trickery

- B:) Deceit and Disguise
- C:) Disguise and Trickery
- D:) Trickery and Debate
- springline's Correct option: A

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7) Which of the following words well-describes the vice celebrated by the characters of Jonson's "The Alchemist"?

- A:) Trickery
- B:) Disguise
- C:) Charlatan
- D:) None of the above

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8) What is the epitaph written on Jonson's grave at the Westminster Abbey?

- A:) "O rare Jonson."
- B:) "O rare Ben Jonson!"
- C:) "O genial Jonson!"
- D:) "O genial Ben Jonson."

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9) Despite being a great dramatist, Jonson was regarded as one of the outsized personalities of Stuart age, as he possessed a combative and anguished personality, which he himself named as _____.

A:) Maniac stage

B:) Vicious stage

C:) Bipolar stage

D:) Loathed stage

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10) The title of the play, "The Alchemist", like its plot, represented a 'venture tripartite' bringing together Thomas Snodham, Walter Burre and John Stepneth whose roles were

A:) Bookseller, Publisher, Printer

B:) Printer, Publisher, Bookseller

C:) Printer, Bookseller, Publisher

D:) Publisher, Printer, Bookseller

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11) Whose edition of "The Alchemist, Edited from the Quarto of 1612", contains a complete list of variants discovered in re-collating copies examined by Herford and Simpson?

- A:) Bryan Twyne
- B:) Jacob Tonston
- C:) George Lucy
- D:) Henry de Vocht

springline's Correct option: D

12) Between 1934 and 1937, de Vocht four editions of or commentaries on Jonson's plays in the series "Materials for the study of the Old English Drama" – by which he accused ______ for "disfiguring and obscuring Jonson's original text", in the name of revising the first folio.

- A:) Herford
- B:) Simpson
- C:) Stansby
- D:) All the above

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- 13) _____ gave rise to comic obsession of Ben Jonson in his magnum opus.
- A:) Exaggeration of factors of human nature
- B:) Physical elements of nature
- C:) The inter-relation between A and B
- D:) Determining factors of human nature
- springline's Correct option: C

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14) The pivotal characters of Jonson's "The Alchemist" serve the sense of ______ to the audience.

- A:) Menippean satire
- B:) Metatheatricality
- C:) Melodrama
- D:) All the above
- springline's Correct option: B

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15) In 1950, de Vocht produced another edition of "The Alchemist", which was described as "incompetent printing" by

B:) Simpson

C:) Herford

D:) Both B and C

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16) Modern editors took ______ of "The Alchemist" as their source.

A:) First Folio

B:) Quarto

C:) Both A and B

D:) None

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17) One another quality of Jonson's writing reflected in "The Alchemist" is the practice of toning down passages that causes offence, as he followed the strictures of the Act of _____ against blasphemous acts.

A:) 1610

B:) 1609

C:) 1606

D:) 1611

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18) Which of the following Romantic poets regarded "The Alchemist" as one of the three best plots in literature, along with "Oedipus Tyrannus" and "Tom Jones"?

A:) Thomas Gray

B:) Cowper

C:) Byron

D:) Coleridge

19) "A play about change, as it influences not metals, however people." – Who stated this in accordance to Jonson's "The Alchemist"?

A:) F.H. Barton

B:) Anne Barton

C:) F.H. Female

D:) Kenneth Tynan

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20) Which of the following doesn't influence Jonson in his craftmanship of his masterpiece, "The Alchemist"?

- A:) Old Testament
- B:) The Spanish Tragedy
- C:) Cymbeline
- D:) A Concent of Scripture

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- 21) The play Alchemist unlocks with the dispute between
- A:) Subtle and Face
- B:) Dol and Common
- C:) Face and Mammon
- D:) none of the above

springline's Correct option: A

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22) "good / Honest, plain, livery-three-pound-thrum" who argues the statement against Face?

A:) Mammon

B:) Dol

C:) Subtle

D:) Dapper

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23) Face says there are various forged cases on Subtle and threatens that he will bring out the details of Subtle's deceptions at St. Paul's Cathedral in a/an

A:) editorial

B:) agreement

C:) article

D:) book

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24) Who forces the remark "labor, kindly, in the common work" on Face and Subtle?

A:) Mammon

B:) Common

C:) conmen

D:) Dapper

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25) When Subtle worries the return of his master Lovewit who provides with the details that Lovewit will not return until the plague leaves London?

A:) Face

B:) Dol

C:) both a and b

D:) only b

26) Who is that "fine young quodling" whom Face met at the Dagger Inn in Holborn the previous night?

- A:) Mammon
- B:) Kastrill
- C:) Dapper
- D:) Dame Pliant
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27) Who in the play is a prostitute implied in casual sexual relationships with both Face and Subtle and disguised as a royal lady manipulating Mammon into the right place at the right time?

- A:) Surly
- B:) one of the neighbours
- C:) Dame Pliant
- D:) Common
- springline's Correct option: D

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28) Whom does Dapper says "of the only best complexion / The Queen of Fairy loves" and liable to make more money?

- A:) the alchemist
- B:) the doctor
- C:) the philanthropist
- D:) the anapest

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29) Who is called Nab in the play?

A:) Sir Epicure

B:) Lovewit

C:) Abel Drugger

D:) Kastrill

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30) Who in his poetic language, measure up the Blackfriars house to "the rich Peru," "the golden mines," and "Great Solomon's Ophir."

A:) Drugger

B:) Dapper

C:) Mammon

D:) Surly

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31) When Mammon is thrilled about the Philosopher's Stone who presages to consider in things when he perceive with his own eyes

A:) Kastrill

B:) Lovewit

C:) Surly

D:) Abel

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32) Whose name in the play means flexible, sinuous and one of the stupidest characters in literature?

A:) Epicure

B:) Kastrill

C:) Dame

D:) Dol

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33) Who being the one with alchemical proficiency was grumpy and disguises himself as "the Doctor" to carry out his con?

A:) Subtle

B:) Face

C:) Sir Petrimax

D:) Sir Epicure

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34) Who plays the role in discovering the gulls in the pubs of London and bring them to the Blackfriars house and plays "Ulen Spiegel" for the Mammon-con?

A:) Subtle

B:) Common

C:) Dapper

D:) Face

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35) When Mammon see Subtle's entery as an "Alchemist" he addresses him as

A:) Sir

B:) Father

C:) Majesty

D:) Mayor

springline's Correct option: B

36) Who according to Subtle and Face will be "twitched", pulled out of the water and killed for his gullible attitude?

A:) Dapper

B:) Druger

C:) Mammon

D:) Surly

springline's Correct option: C

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37) Subtle bestows a speech detailing the good that the Philosopher's Stone will bring to the Brethren namely curing illness, making the old young again, restoring beauty and turning people's metal to gold-here who is Brethren?

A:) Anabaptist

B:) Dermotists

C:) Chartists

D:) Anapests

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38) When questioned on the Philosopher's Stone Subtle promises Tribulation that the stone will be ready in

- A:) twelve days
- B:) fifteen days
- C:) ten days
- D:) thirteen days

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39) Who in the play likes to educate the art of quarreling from Subtle?

A:) Dapper

B:) Kastrill

C:) Drugger

D:) Mammon

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40) Mammon, direct himself to "heighten thyself' and "talk to her all in gold" who was Mammon waiting for and her conversation with Mammon was a mixture of economic puns and lust. Who was that noble figure Mammon waiting for?

A:) Pliant

B:) Dol

- C:) Philosopher's Stone
- D:) Dapper's wife

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- 41) Who is a "terrible rogue," for Subtle?
- A:) Dol
- B:) Lovewit
- C:) Drugger
- D:) Face

springline's Correct option: D

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42) Face asks Mammon to leave the place to get rid of confusion and persuaded him to give a charity in self-punishment for his role with Dol. What did Face ask Mammon to offer?

- A:) three hundred pound
- B:) a hundred pound
- C:) two hundred pound

D:) thousand pound

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43) When Lovewit comes from London Face plans that he will change back into Jeremy Butler and Subtle and Dol will pack their gold and goods into trunks, and will escape to?

A:) Emerald

B:) Texas

C:) Ratcliff

D:) Westminster

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44) When Face hesitates to allow Lovewit into the house, Lovewit asks whether Face has the plague, but Face replies he has not and suspects to have plague.

A:) the dog

B:) the cat

C:) the dove

D:) the parrot

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45) When he finds the place with bogus fatalities he pronunces "The world's turned Bedlam,". Who is he?

A:) Drugger

B:) Dapper

C:) Surly

D:) Lovewit

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46) Face asks Lovewit's pardon and promises to help Lovewit in wedding Dame Pliant, for whom Lovewit is pleased to hear and forgives Face's blunder. How many years were mentioned by Face that will make Lovewit younger when he wed Dame Pliant?

A:) ten

B:) twelve

C:) six

D:) seven

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47) Who says "there are just empty walls, slightly smoked and a few cracked pots and glasses and a bit of graffiti on the walls" commenting Subtle, Face and Dol?

A:) Sir Epicure

- B:) Sir Lovewit
- C:) Sir Epecene
- D:) Sir Pertinax

springline's Correct option: B

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- 48) Alchemy is the process of turning
- A:) metal into gold
- B:) bronze into iron
- C:) steel to copper
- D:) iron to gold

springline's Correct option: A

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49) When the alchemy reappeared in Europe after its disappearance from Rome?

A:) 10th century

B:) 11th century

C:) 15th century

D:) 12th century

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50) Pastor Tribulation Wholesome, the pastor of Amsterdam, and his sidekick, Ananias were quite recognizable to Jonson's audience and public as

A:) Anabaptists

B:) Anapests

C:) Anaseptics

D:) Anabiotics

springline's Correct option: A

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51) Who leaves the stage halfway through the epilogue in order to smoke tobacco?

A:) Dame Pliant

B:) Lovewit

C:) Surly

D:) Kastrill

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52) Who in the play is angry and finds his name as an allusion in New Testament character who is stricken dead because of his greed?

A:) Subtle

B:) Dapper

C:) Ananias

D:) Drugger

springline's Correct option: C





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