IN THE HEART OF THE SEA – TEST #1

1-Whalemen at that time in Nantucket would work on a ship for a:
   A-lay
   B-hourly wage
   C-predetermined sum
   D-monthly salary

2-By 1835 this town had eclipsed Nantucket as America’s leading whaling port:
   A-New York
   B-Cape Cod
   C-Boston
   D-New Bedford

3-All men aboard the Essex served alternating four-hour stints on deck with the exception of the:
   A-idlers
   B-green hands
   C-navigators
   D-native Nantucketers

4-Nearly every house in Nantucket in the early 1800s had a roof-mounted platform known as a:
   A-Crow’s nest
   B-Scotch
   C-Walk
   D-Deck

5-Opaque, ash-colored substance in a whale’s intestinal tract worth more than its weight in gold:
   A-spermaceti
   B-blubber
   C-duff
   D-amber-gris

6-The typical pod of whales is comprised almost exclusively of:
   A-adult males
   B-interrelated adult females and immature whales
   C-male-female pairs
   D-baby whales

7-Their first night in the whaleboats, the crews believed their best chance at survival was:
   A-chancing upon an uncharted island
8- A sperm whale is uniquely equipped to survive a head-on collision with a ship due to this feature:
   A- massive blubber deposits around brain
   B- oil-filled cavity between head and vital organs
   C- tail that can reduce speed at rapid rate
   D- rock hard jawbone

9- An exceptionally accurate, if expensive, timepiece used to calculate longitude on a ship in 1820:
   A- compass
   B- log line
   C- lunar
   D- chronometer

10- The first food Chase, Lawrence, and Nickerson were given aboard the ship that rescued them:
    A- turtle
    B- Welsh rarebit
    C- tapioca pudding
    D- shepherd's pie

11- On December 9th if the men had headed west, they would have reached this island in as little as a week:
    A- Cuba
    B- Tahiti
    C- Curacao
    D- Fiji

12- The wrecked whaleship the *Essex* encountered on the island of Maio:
    A- Gardner
    B- Atlantic
    C- Archimedes
    D- Midas

13- Birds that the men subsisted on while encamped on Henderson Island:
    A- man-of-war hawks
    B- tropic birds
    C- blue-footed boobies
    D- seagulls
14-Crustaceans that Chase's men found attached to the bottom of their boat:
A-gooseneck barnacles
B-geoduck clams
C-krill
D-shrimp

15-Writer to whom William Henry Chase lent Owen Chase's *Essex* narrative:
A-John Steinbeck
B-William Faulkner
C-F. Scott Fitzgerald
D-Herman Melville

16-During World War II the University of Minnesota’s Laboratory of Physiological
Hygiene conducted a benchmark study of:
A-seasickness
B-cannibalism
C-starvation
D-hypothermia

17-The main reason the *Essex* men chose not to sail to the Marquesas islands after
their ship was sunk:
A-reputation of cannibalism among islands’ inhabitants
B-too far out of their way
C-active volcanoes
D-lack of reliable maps

18-The first man to be eaten by the crew:
A-Lawson Thomas
B-John Dean
C-George Pollard
D-Thomas Nickerson

19-A disfiguring accumulation of fluid in the body:
A-superhydration
B-dehydration
C-hypernatremia
D-edema

20-Suspended in netting above his captain's cabin aboard the *Two Brothers*, George
Pollard kept:
A-navigation books
B-provisions
C-two pistols
D-last will and testament