"The Most Dangerous Game" reading quiz

- 1. Rainsford and Whitney are on a yacht on their way to:
 - a. London to see a famous tailor
 - b. the Amazon to hunt jaguar
 - c. New York to a writer's convention
 - d. Rainsford's mother's house for turkey dinner
- 2. The description, "blood-warm waters," is most likely intended to have this effect:
 - a. It shows the reader that there are a lot of hungry predators around.
 - b. It shows that Rainsford will have a hard time drinking the salty water.
 - c. It increases the sense of gloom and danger created by the setting.
 - d. It is simply a way of describing the temperature.
- 3. Rainsford and Whitney have very different attitudes about this:
 - a. the pleasure of hunting
 - b. Rainsford's abilities as a big-game hunter
 - c. the feelings of the animal being hunted
 - d. whether they should use pistols or rifles on their hunt
- 4. General Zaroff's servant, Ivan, greets Rainsford at the front door this way:
 - a. with a revolver pointed at his chest
 - b. with a bottle of Chablis and a bowl of borsch
 - c. with a warm hug
 - d. with handcuffs and a blindfold
- 5. The general tells Rainsford that he fled Russia after "the debacle," which was probably
 - a. a natural disaster like a tornado or earthquake, which destroyed his home
 - b. the Russian Revolution, after which most noblemen lost all of their wealth
 - c. a messy divorce
 - d. a failed hunting trip that caused General Zaroff much embarrassment
- 6. General Zaroff explains that he considers man the perfect quarry (adversary or prey) because
 - a. he is the strongest animal
 - b. he possesses great endurance
 - c. he is able to use reason
 - d. he is able to use a knife
- 7. The island is an ideal location for the general's hunts because:
 - a. it is isolated and difficult to escape
 - b. there is a ready supply of shipwrecked sailors
 - c. it has the perfect terrain, with jungles, hills, trails, and swamps
 - d. all of the above
- 8. Rainsford uses all of these traps against General Zaroff except:
 - a. a Malay man-catcher
 - b. a Venus fly trap
 - c. a Burmese tiger pit
 - d. a Ugandan trap made by tying a knife to a springy sapling (small tree)