



READING CONTROL

THE BREADWINNER



COLEGIO NUEVA YORK- 8TH GRADE

1. Why was Parvana in the market with her father instead of at school?

- a. It was summer.
- b. The Taliban had ordered all girls to stay inside and forbade them to go to school.
- c. She had already graduated from school.
- d. She was not old enough for school.

2. Why did Parvana walk with her father to the market each day?

- a. He needed her help to sell goods.
- b. He needed her to write letters for him.
- c. He needed her to help him walk.
- d. He needed her to have someone to talk to.

3. What occupation did Parvana's father have before the Taliban took over?

- a. Doctor
- b. Lawyer
- c. Writer
- d. Teacher

4. What occupation did Parvana's mother have before the Taliban took over?

- a. Doctor
- b. Lawyer
- c. Writer
- d. Teacher

5. Who was Hossain?

- a. Parvana's uncle
- b. Parvana's brother
- c. Parvana's friend
- d. Parvana's cousin

6. What did the Taliban do with Parvana's father?

- a. killed him
- b. took his false leg
- c. took him to prison
- d. banned him from Kabul

7. What did Parvana not want the soldiers to find in the cupboard?

- a. father's books
- b. father's sketch pad
- c. mother's published writings
- d. last of their family money

8. Why did Mrs. Weera want to speak to Parvana's mother?

- a. to ask for money
- b. to console her
- c. to start a magazine
- d. to ask for a place to live

9. Why did all water have to be boiled before drinking it?

- a. It was used for bath water.
- b. It would make you sick if not boiled.
- c. It did not have to be boiled.
- d. Animals drank from the tap first.

10. Parvana set up her business where her father had because _____.

- a. it made her feel that he was close to her
- b. her father had always said that is the best place for business
- c. it was close to her house
- d. she was scared to set up any other place

11. It is safe for women and girls to walk the streets of Kabul.

- a. True
- b. False

12. The main character of the novel is Parvana.

- a. True
- b. False

13. Parvana and Shauzia dig up bones in the graveyard to earn more money to buy trays.

- a. True
- b. False

14. Parvana gave her mother half of the money she earned.

- a. True
- b. False

15. Parvana is able to read and write in two languages.

- a. True
- b. False

16. Mrs. Weera and Parvana's mother decided to start a sports magazine.

- a. True
- b. False

17. It was Parvana's idea to dress up as a boy to earn money for her family.

- a. True
- b. False

18. People in Afghanistan have easy access to healthy food and clean drinking water.

- a. True
- b. False

19. Nooria was the teacher of a secret school.

- a. True
- b. False

20. Father was delivered back to his home.

- a. True
- b. False

21. _____ was killed by a land mine.

- a. Hossain
- b. Parvana
- c. Father
- d. Homa

22. _____ earns money for her family to survive.

- a. Parvana
- b. Nooria
- c. Maryem
- d. Malali

23. _____ told Afghan troops, "We can win this battle!"

- a. Malali
- b. Parvana
- c. Shauzia
- d. Mrs. Weera

24. _____ leaves Mazar-e-Sharif after her family is killed.

- a.Homa
- b.Shauzia
- c.Hossain
- d.Malali

25. _____ is a teacher at a secret school and agrees to marriage.

- a.Nooria
- b.Parvana
- c.Homa
- d.Shauzia

26. _____ is a writer who hasn't been outside for a year and a half.

- a.Mother
- b.Mrs. Weera
- c.Father
- d.Homa

27. _____ is a former physical education teacher.

- a.Mrs. Weera
- b.Mother
- c.Homa
- d.Nooria

28. _____ is beaten by the Taliban and put in prison.

- a.Father
- b.Hossain
- c.Malali
- d.Parvana

29. _____ is a five year old who hasn't been outside in a year and a half.

- a.Maryam
- b.Malali
- c.Homa
- d. Shauzia

30. _____ is Parvana's friend who wants to move to France.

- a.Shauzia
- b.Homa
- c.Mrs. Weera
- d.Nooria

31. What is Parvana's primary concern about assuming the role of a boy?

- a.She is worried about being responsible.
- b.She believes what she is doing is wrong.
- c.She is afraid that she will be recognized.
- d.She resents having to do her sister's job.

32. Which two words best describe how Parvana feels while living under Taliban rule?

- a.Angry
- b.Invisible
- c.Defeated
- d.Ashamed
- e.Unimportant

33.In the story, Parvana's haircut represents —

- a.a happier time
- b.new responsibilities
- c.abandoned beliefs
- d.cultural traditions

34.intact

- a.waste time
- b.very complicated or detailed
- c.not damaged or impaired in any way; complete
- d.without purpose or effect; pointless

35.dawdling

- a.waste time; be slow
- b.not able to read or write
- c.be silent, morose, and bad-tempered out of annoyance
- d.yelling about goods and services you are selling

36.complicated paths, difficult to find one's way; a maze

- a.burqa
- b.toshak
- c.idle
- d.labyrinth

37.Parvana's family no longer has any men in it. This means no one can go out and buy food since women are not allowed outside alone. This is the _____ in The Breadwinner.

- a.Theme
- b.Conflict
- c.Setting
- d.Characters

38.What skills did Parvana have that most people in Afghanistan did not have?

- a.the ability to read and write
- b.the ability to juggle
- c.the ability to sing
- d.None of the above

39.What does the window woman drop on Parvana's blanket?

- a.A piece of embroidered cloth
- b.a red bead
- c.a handkerchief
- d.all of the above

40.What do Father's books represent?

- a.a hobby
- b.knowledge
- c.a distraction
- d.fear