End of Book Review

MATCHING-Match the following characters with their descriptions.

____1. Annabeth
   A. Daughter of Ares

____2. Ares
   B. Percy’s smelly step dad

____3. Athena
   C. Percy’s mother

____4. Cerberus
   D. the main character, a demi-god

____5. Chiron
   E. the main female character

____6. Charon
   F. a satyr

____7. Clarisse
   G. a centaur

____8. Gabe
   H. the one whose master bolt was missing

____9. Grover
   I. Lord of the Underworld

____10. Hades
    J. Percy’s dad

____11. Medusa
    K. God of War

____12. Minotaur
    L. the security guard for the Underworld

____13. Mrs. Dodds
    M. a half-man, half-bull monster

____14. Oracle
    N. A fury

____15. Percy
    O. Annabeth’s mother

____16. Poseidon
    P. one that can see into the future

____17. Sally Jackson
    Q. a three-headed dog

____18. Zeus
    R. a snake-headed monster

TRUE/FALSE


_____20. Percy’s mom petrifies Gabe.


_____22. Zeus now trusts Percy since he proved he was not the thief.

_____23. The Prophecy the Oracle gave came true.

FACT/OPINION

______24. Hades is not too bad, he is just misunderstood.

______25. Grover and Annabeth are the best friends Percy could have.


______27. Percy decided to become a part-time camper.

______28. Life will be easier for Percy now that he know why things are always happening to him.

SEQUENCING- Put the following events in order using the numbers 1-5

_____29. Percy battles Medusa and cuts off her head.

_____30. Percy defeats a Minotaur, but loses his mom.

_____31. Percy defeats Ares in a violent battle.

_____32. Percy discovers Camp Half-Blood.

_____33. Percy destroys his math teacher, Mrs. Dodds.

MULTIPLE CHOICE

____34. What is a demi-god?
   A. Someone who goes to camp.
   B. Someone who is a god part-time.
   C. Someone who is half-human, half god.
   D. Someone who wants to be a god.

____35. Why does Percy end up being in so many battles?
   A. He enjoys fighting with others.
   B. He is the son of a Big Three.
   C. Nobody likes him.
   D. People are jealous of him.
36. Which of the following was NEVER Percy’s friend?
   A. Nancy Bobofit        C. Luke
   B. Annabeth            D. Grover

37. What was the bead for Percy’s first summer?
   A. Medusa’s head        C. the Minotaur’s horn
   B. a lightning bolt     D. a green trident

38. What is Grover going to do now?
   A. Search for more campers.  C. Search for Pan.
   B. Search for another school. D. Search for a safer camp.

39. What is Annabeth going to do now.
   A. Go live with her dad.    C. Go live with her mom.
   B. Stay at Camp Half-Blood. D. Go to school with Percy.

ESSAY AND SHORT ANSWER:

40. What are the two main themes of The Lightning Thief?

41. Give an example from the book of each of the following types of conflicts:
   Character vs. Self
   Character vs. Character
   Character vs. Supernatural

42. What are the seven steps of a hero’s journey? Give an example of how each step is seen in the book.

43. Describe two of Hercules’ Labors – include a description of the task, type of conflict and whether or not the labor was heroic.

44. Compare Percy’s battle with the Chimera on the St. Louis Arch with Hercules – Labor 1 The Nemean Lion.

45. Compare Percy’s battle with the Minotaur with Hercules – Labor 7 The Cretan Bull.

46. Define mythology in general.

47. What is a hero’s fatal flaw? What is Percy’s fatal flaw?

48. What is the difference between a fable, a legend and a myth? Give an example of each.
Possible essay choices for the test.

1. Percy's first encounter with an Olympian god is Mr. D, Dionysus. Initially, Percy has a hard time believing Mr. D is immortal. The Greek gods have very human traits – would this make them easier or harder to believe in?

2. When Percy finally learns the truth that he is the son of Poseidon, are you surprised? What hints are dropped before the revelation? How does Percy's personality fit/not fit the god Poseidon?

3. Throughout the book, humor is used to counterbalance the serious situations Percy faces. For instance, the Minotaur wears white Fruit-of-the-Loom underwear, and Percy wants to tell the mummified Oracle, “thanks, wrong door, just looking for the bathroom.” Does using humor make it easier or harder to understand mythology?

4. When describing the effects of Mist, Chiron says, “Remarkable, really, the lengths humans will go to fit things into their version of reality.” How is this true in the novel? In Greek mythology? In real life?

5. Dreams play an important role in the narrative. At Montauk, Percy first dreams of a horse and eagle fighting on the beach. Later, he dreams of a voice from the pit. As he gets closer to Los Angeles, his dreams get scarier and more specific. What would the book be like without these dream episodes? Is there information that Percy can only get from his dreams?

6. Percy's fight with Echidna and the Chimera is a low point for his morale. He begins to doubt that he is capable of being a hero. Why does he feel this way, and do you think his doubts are reasonable? What does this fight scene reveal about Percy's character?

7. Percy's trip to the Underworld does not turn out as he suspected. What do you think of Percy's decision to leave his mother behind? What does the scene in the throne room tell you about the three friends – Annabeth, Grover and Percy?

8. When Percy finally meets his father, Poseidon seems distant and hard to read. Percy says that he is actually glad about this. “If he’d tried to apologize, or told me he loved me, or even smiled – that would’ve felt fake. Like a human dad, making some lame excuse for not being around.” Do you agree with Percy?

9. How does the last line of the prophecy – you shall fail to save what matters most in the end – come true? What do you think of this ending? Did Percy make the right choice? What would you have done in his place?