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## **Cervantes' Intentions Answer Key**

- 1. **P** Parody: The windmill fight ridicules exaggerated knightly battles.
- 2. P Parody: Cervantes mocks old-fashioned tales of chivalry.
- 3. **\$** Social Critique: The book burning shows society's attempt to control knowledge.
- 4. **S** Social Critique: Sancho's governorship reflects flaws in leadership and power.
- 5. **E** Entertainment: Humor keeps readers engaged.
- 6. **\$** Social Critique: The contrast between idealism and realism questions human nature and society's values.

Sample Reflection Answer: Cervantes' most important goal was probably parody, because he directly targeted the popular romances of his time. However, his parody also opens the door to social critique, since it reveals how society clings to outdated values. At the same time, the novel's humor ensures readers are entertained, so they don't feel preached at. Cervantes succeeded in blending all three purposes, but parody is the foundation that makes the other purposes possible.

