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Quixote in Quotes

Directions: Read each famous quote from *Don Quixote*. Then select the best explanation (A, B, C, or D) that shows its meaning in the context of the novel by circling the letter.

1. "The truth may be stretched thin, but it never breaks, and it always surfaces above lies, as oil floats on water."

- A. Truth is fragile and should not be used carelessly.
- B. Lies can never overpower truth in the long run.
- C. Water can wash away dishonesty.
- D. Oil represents wealth and corruption.

2. "The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

- A. Don Quixote believes in the power of imagination.
- B. Food and wealth symbolize happiness.
- C. You must try something in practice to see if it works.
- D. Sancho wants more food for his journey.

3. "The truth may be painted in many colors, but it is still the truth."

- A. Truth can look different depending on perspective but remains the same underneath.
- B. Bright colors distract from reality.
- C. Don Quixote uses art to express his fantasies.
- D. Sancho criticizes the lies of others.

4. "A knight is never defeated until he admits defeat."

- A. Courage is a matter of persistence and spirit, not just physical strength.
- B. Knights are invincible because of their armor.
- C. Only Sancho has the power to declare defeat.
- D. Defeat means nothing in the world of illusions.

5. "The road is always better than the inn."

- A. Sancho dislikes the food served at inns.
- B. Inns are unsafe and full of tricksters.
- C. Don Quixote prefers sleeping under the stars.
- D. Travel brings growth and adventure, while comfort can trap people.

6. "When life itself seems lunatic, who knows where madness lies?"

- A. Sancho is accusing Don Quixote of losing his mind.
- B. Only Don Quixote is truly mad.
- C. The line questions who defines sanity when the world itself feels absurd.
- D. Madness comes only from books of chivalry.