

English 4155
The House on Mango Street
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1. What is the heritage of the author, Sandra Cisneros?
 - a. Mexican
 - b. Chicana
 - c. Puerto Rican
 - d. Peruvian

2. What city is this novel set in?
 - a. San Francisco
 - b. Chicago
 - c. New York
 - d. Los Angeles

3. Which of the following is not one of Esperanza's siblings?
 - a. Kiki
 - b. Carlos
 - c. Sire
 - d. Nenny

4. What does Esperanza wish for above all else?
 - a. a house
 - b. money
 - c. someone to love her
 - d. a new car

5. What is the translation of the protagonist's name, Esperanza?
 - a. Love
 - b. Faith
 - c. Jennifer
 - d. Hope

6. Esperanza's best friends are:
 - a. Rachel and Lucy
 - b. Cathy and her cats
 - a. Sire and Lois
 - d.. The Vargas kids

7. What body part does Esperanza fixate on as a symbol of her unattractiveness?
 - a. her hips
 - b. her hair
 - c. her feet
 - d. her nose

8. Where is Esperanza's family from?
 - a. Texas
 - b. Mexico
 - c. El Salvador
 - d. California

9. Esperanza and her friends get what as a hand-me-down from a neighbor?
 - a. old clothes
 - b. a fur coat
 - c. a bicycle
 - d. high-heeled shoes

10. The people who are most often responsible for making Esperanza embarrassed about her family's poverty are:
 - a. Men
 - b. Her father's employee's
 - c. The neighbors
 - d. The nuns from her school

11. Where is Esperanza's first job?
 - a. McDonald's
 - b. A school
 - c. A seamstress's
 - d. A photo-finisher's

12. Which of the following characters does not speak English?
 - a. Marin
 - b. Esperanza
 - c. Mamacita
 - d. Aunt Lupe

13. Which of Esperanza's friends also writes poetry?
 - a. Ruthie
 - b. Minerva
 - c. Sally
 - e. Nenny

14. The girls in Esperanza's neighborhood often try to escape their lives by:
 - a. Running away
 - b. Getting married
 - c. Getting a job
 - d. Going to school

15. Which of the following characters end up literally imprisoned by the men in their lives?
- Rafaela and Lupe
 - Sally and Ruthie
 - Rafaela and Sally
 - Rafaela, Sally, and Minerva
16. What place becomes a symbol of magic and freedom for the neighborhood children?
- an abandoned garden
 - Sally's house
 - An old warehouse
 - The back alley
17. What do the old ladies tell Esperanza at the funeral of Rachel and Lucy's sibling?
- To escape from Mango Street as quickly as she can
 - That she will never escape from Mango Street
 - To get married and stop thinking so much
 - That she must come back to Mango Street to help those who can't leave
18. What period of time does this novel cover?
- one year
 - five years
 - six months
 - three years
19. What form does Esperanza's writing take?
- Poetry
 - Short Stories
 - A diary
 - Newspaper articles
20. What genre does this book best fit into?
- autobiography
 - protest novel
 - coming of age story
 - novel of ideas