

## DANCES WITH WOLVES

1. Why do you think Dunbar rides across the field?  
He is trying to kill himself because of the injury to his foot.
2. What is the outcome of this event for him?  
Riding across the field motivates the Union soldiers to fight.
3. Dunbar can go anywhere he wants to be posted, where does he choose and why?  
He goes to the frontier because Lt. Dunbar wants to see it "before it's gone".
4. What is the significance of the "Crazy" Colonel who gives Dunbar his orders?  
The "crazy" colonel kills himself which prevents anyone from knowing Lt. Dunbar's
5. What is Timmons' view of the Indians?  
Timmons' believes all Indians are "beggars and thieves".
6. What fort does Dunbar become stationed at?  
Lt. Dunbar is stationed at Fort Sedgewick.
7. After Timmons' encounter with the Pawnee, who knows Dunbar is at the fort?  
After Timmons' encounter with the Pawnee no one knows Lt. Dunbar is at the
8. What is the name of Dunbar's horse?  
The name of his horse is Sico.
9. Why do you think the fort is abandoned? List two clues that Dunbar discovers.
  - A. People had been hiding in the caves next to the fort.
  - B. Lt. Dunbar finds a lot of debris scattered around the fort.
10. What is Dunbar's first instinct when he sees the wolf?  
His first instinct is to shoot the wolf.
11. What does Dunbar name the wolf?  
Two socks is the name Lt. Dunbar gives to the wolf.
12. How do the Indians react to Dunbar's presence at the fort?  
The Indians are concerned and upset about Lt. Dunbar's presence at the fort

13. What do the Indian think about white people?  
The Indians think white people are crazy, stupid and evil.
14. Both the Indian boys and men tried to do what to Dunbar?  
Both the Indian boys and men try and steal Lt. Dunbar's horse.
15. What is Dunbar's first reaction when Wind in his Hair comes charging? What other scene in the movie is this like?  
Lt. Dunbar's first reaction is to defend himself.
16. What is the Indian woman doing on the prairie?  
The Indian woman is in mourning due to the death of her husband.
17. How do the Indians react when Dunbar brings the woman back?  
The Indians are weary and concerned about his presence at their camp.
18. What do we find out about the woman? What happened to her family?  
The woman is white and came to live with the Sioux after her family was kill
19. What is Dunbar trying to do with Two Socks?  
Lt. Dunbar try's to get two socks to eat food from his hand.
20. What is Dunbar's impression of the Indians now? What does he say about them after they give him the blanket?  
Lt. Dunbar believes they are good people and live their lives with honor.
21. What parallels do you see between Two Socks and the Indians?  
Two socks and the Indians become more understood and accepted by Lt. Dunb
22. What title (job) does Kicking Bird have among the Sioux?  
Kicking Bird is a holy man among the Sioux.
23. Who had killed the Buffalo before the Indians got there?  
White men killed and skinned the Buffalo before the Indians got there.
24. Why do the Sioux seem to not understand such an act?  
The Sioux consider just skinning a Buffalo to be a waste of the animal.
25. What is Dunbar's view of the Indians after the buffalo hunt?  
Lt. Dunbar's view is that of respect and admiration for the Indians

26. What does Kicking Bird always want to know? Is Dunbar truthful with his answer?  
Kicking Bird always want to know when the white people are coming
27. Why is Dunbar not allowed to go in the war party against the Pawnee?  
He isn't allowed to go because he isn't a Sioux.
28. What is Dunbar's new name?  
Lt. Dunbar's new name was Dances with Wolves.
29. How did Stands With a Fist get her name?  
She gets her first name because she defends herself in a fight.
30. Why is Stands With a Fist not married?  
She isn't married because her husband was killed.
31. What is the significance of Two Socks taking the bacon?  
The significance of the bacon is a demonstration of trust.
32. What does that event symbolize (hint: with the Indians)?  
It symbolizes trust between Lt. Dunbar and the Sioux.
33. Who dies from the Sioux in the battle?  
stone calf dies during the battle
34. How is the Sioux marriage ceremony different than a white one?  
The major difference is the length and type of ceremony.
35. Where is Ten Bears' helmet from? Does he seem worried about the whites?  
Ten Bears helmet is from the period of Spanish exploration.
36. Why does Dances With Wolves have to go back to get the journal?  
He goes back to get his journal because it's a record of his experiences
37. What was the first reaction of the white soldiers when they first saw Dances With Wolves?  
Their reaction was that he has an Indian.
38. What are they going to do with Dances With Wolves when he gets back to Ft. Hayes?  
They are going to hang Dances with Wolves when he gets back to Ft. Hayes
39. What does the event that happens to Two Socks symbolize?  
It symbolizes the lack of respect that the white man has for nature.

40. Who kills Sgt. Bower (the soldier who was trying to sneak away)?  
Sgt. Bower is killed by one of the Sioux teenage boys. (Smiles A Lot)
41. What happened to the journal after the fight at the river? What might that symbolize?  
After the fight the journal floats down the river.
42. Why will Dances With Wolves be leaving?  
Dances with Wolves decides to leave because <sup>of</sup> the soldiers.
43. What do you think he is trying to accomplish with "those who will listen"?  
He is trying to get "those who will listen" to understand and support the Native Americans.
44. What does Smiles A Lot give to Dances With Wolves? What does this symbolize?  
Smiles A Lot gives Dances with Wolves his journal.
45. After the fight at the river, do you ever see Smiles A Lot smile again? What might this symbolize?  
Smiles A Lot doesn't smile for the rest of the movie. This might symbolize the future of the Sioux isn't going to be positive.
46. What ultimately happens to the Sioux?  
The Sioux are ultimately forced off of their land and moved to reservations.