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“The Shepherd” Quiz

Directions: Read the poem “The Shepherd” in the January 2008 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the circle next to the best answer for each question.

1. You can tell that the poet thinks the shepherd’s job is

- (A) boring.
- (B) meaningful.
- (C) difficult.
- (D) pointless.

2. What relationship is MOST similar to the relationship between the shepherd and the sheep?

- (A) brother and sister
- (B) employer and worker
- (C) friend and friend
- (D) parent and child

3. Which of the following is a synonym for “strays” in the second line?

- (A) runs
- (B) sits
- (C) wanders
- (D) trespasses

4. According to the fourth line in the poem, which of the following would the shepherd be MOST likely to say to the sheep?

- (A) “Come back here right now!”
- (B) “Don’t go beyond the trees.”
- (C) “What beautiful wool you have.”
- (D) “Watch out for the wolf.”

5. Who talks to each other in the poem?

- (A) the lambs and their mothers
- (B) the shepherd and his friends
- (C) the shepherd and the lambs
- (D) the sheep’s owner and the shepherd

6. In the poem, what makes the sheep feel peaceful?

- (A) getting enough to eat
- (B) knowing their shepherd is near
- (C) lying down in the pasture
- (D) returning home at night