Directions: Copy your 20 original test questions into the graphic organizer below. Be sure to organize your questions based on their level of questioning according to Bloom’s Taxonomy.

***\*\*EXAMPLE FORMAT\*\****

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| **Bloom’s Level of Questioning** | **TEST QUESTIONS** | **Skill addressed** |
| Knowledge Questions | 1. What is the name of the boy whose mother talks to Holden on the train at the beginning of the novel?  a. Rudolf Schmidt  b. Ernest Maurner  c. Ernest Morrow  d. Herb Gale  2. Which description is **not** used in the book to describe “Ackley”?  a. “…he was about 6”4…”  b. “…he had a lot of pimples…”  c. “…he never washed his clothes…”  d. “…he had a terrible personality…” |  |
| Comprehension Questions  (3) | 1. Which one of these answers can **best** describe why Holden feels the need to compulsively lie?  a. Holden does not feel accepted by society when he acts as himself and lying is his way of trying to connect with people.  b. Lying is a part of Holden’s personality; he can’t help it.  c. Holden uses lying as a coping mechanism for his hatred of himself.  d. Holden dislikes everyone and doesn’t care what people think of him.  2. What is the **best** answer as to why Holden makes a huge speech about the word grand saying, “*Grand*. If there’s one word I hate, it’s grand.”?  a. Holden hates the word grand since everyone at Pencey used it to describe their grades, which were better than his.  b. Holden hates everything that is phony and feels that this word is associated with being a phony.”  c. It is too strong of a word to use to describe something that is usually mediocre.  d. Grand is a word that actors say a lot in movies, which he hates watching.  3. Which example from the text **best** describes the tone of the conversation between Old Luce and Holden Caufield at the bar?  a. “He was afraid somebody’d say something smarter than *he* did.”  b. “The first thing he said when he sat down was that he could only stay a couple of minutes.”  c. “I bored him a lot. I really did. He amused me though.”  d. “When we were at Whooton, he’d make you describe the most personal stuff that happened to *you*, but if you started asking *him* questions about himself, he got sore.” |  |
| Application Questions | 1. “I took her dress over to the closet and hung it up for her. It was funny. It made me feel sort of sad when I hung it up.” Why do you think he feels this way? 2. The dress reminded him of Phoebe and how she is always nicely dressed. 3. He felt sad when he realized that the salesman who saw her probably didn’t realize she was a prostitute. 4. He realized what a waste it was to have such a beautiful dress belong to someone like Sunny, who is a prostitute. 5. His mom had a dress that looked just like that once which reminded him of home. 6. Which is **not** a reason Holden wants to leave Pencey Prep? 7. Holden thinks he is a moron and is doing bad in school. 8. He feels that he is surrounded by phonies at the boarding school, which he hates. 9. He thinks about his future but not too much therefore he doesn’t really care about the consequences of dropping out. 10. He doesn’t have that many friends and hates the few he does have. 11. Which quote and description **best** shows the kind of brother-sister relationship that Holden and Phoebe have? 12. “I told her I’d keep in touch with her. She told me I could sleep with her if I wanted to, but I said no…”- Holden and Phoebe are quite close and when it comes down to it, they really do care for each other and have each other’s backs. 13. “It’s different with her anyway, because she can *dance*. She can follow anything you do… she stays right with you.”- They don’t normally get along but they both love to dance with each other since Holden is quite good and Phoebe does well at keeping up with him. 14. “Daddy’ll *kill* you.”- Phoebe is constantly worried about Holden’s safety since he always does stupid things which get him into physical trouble with his dad. 15. “Stop swearing. All right, name something else. Name something you’d like to be.”- His little sister always pushes him to make something of himself and acts like his mother most of the time. 16. “How would you know if you did it because you really wanted to save guys’ lives, or because you did it because what you really wanted to do was be a terrific lawyer…”? In this quote, Holden is talking about how you never really know if people would save someone because it is the right thing to do or because they wanted publicity. Why do you think that Holden speculates about people who have jobs involving saving people? 17. He is actually talking about himself and wondering whether he would save someone because it is the humane thing to do or whether he would save someone because it meant that he could be called a hero. 18. Holden believes that many people are phonies which is why he is wondering whether the supposedly “good guys” are too. 19. He thinks that people are naturally evil and will do whatever in order to get recognition of some sort. 20. He wants a job that has to do with saving people and is scared that he might come across as a phony. 21. How do you think Holden would react if his parents had caught him at home visiting Phoebe? 22. He would have started to apologize for his behavior right away. 23. He would have started to curse at them with tears streaming down his face while explaining that he had dropped out of high school. 24. Holden would have just stood there with no expression on his face. 25. Holden would have acted very casual towards his parents and after a while, would have made up a lie as to why he wasn’t at school. |  |
| Analysis Questions | 1. “It depressed the holy hell out of me, and I kept wanting to throw mine out or something, or even *trade* with him.” Why do you think Holden felt so bad about his roommate having knock-off suitcases while he had really expensive ones?  2. “The best one in it was “The Secret Goldfish.” It was about this little kid that wouldn’t let anybody look at his goldfish because he’d bought it with his own money. It killed me.” In what way does Salinger’s life reflect the summary that Holden gives of a book at the beginning of the novel? (hint: fame)  3. “That killed me. Her middle name is Josephine, for God’s sake, not Weatherfield.” Why do you think Holden is so annoyed when his little sister changes her middle name?  4. “Don’t you feel like talking for a while?” What was Holden’s motive for wanting to just have a conversation with the prostitute, Sunny?  5. ”When I got to the museum, all of a sudden I wouldn’t have gone inside for a million bucks.” What could be the reason behind Holden not wanting to go inside his favorite museum anymore? |  |
| Synthesis Questions | 1. How would you fix the grammatical errors in this paragraph?   “”It was way too short for me, the couch, but I really could’ve slept standing up without batting an eyelash. I laid awake for just a couple of seconds thinking about all that stuff Mr. Antolini’d told me. About finding out the size of your mind and all. He was really a pretty smart guy.”   1. Compare and contrast the way Holden feels about Allie’s death and the way Phoebe feels about it. (hint: their conversation at the end of the book about him) 2. What do you think would happen if Holden had actually allowed Phoebe to run away with him towards the end of the book? What do you think their future would be? |  |
| Evaluation Questions | 1. Compare and contrast the similarities of Holden’s personality and Phoebe’s personality. How does Holden influence the way Phoebe acts?  2. Based on Holden’s character throughout the book, why do you think Holden is constantly asking about where the ducks go during the winter when the pond is frozen up? |  |

**Rubric**

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| **Blooms level addressed in the question** | **Number of questions** | **Points** |
| Knowledge Questions | **2** | **4 pts** |
| Comprehension Questions | **3** | **6 pts** |
| Application Questions | **5** | **10 pts** |
| Analysis Questions | **5** | **10 pts** |
| Synthesis Questions | **3** | **6 pts** |
| Evaluation Questions | **2** | **4 pts** |
| **Skill addressed in the question** | **Number of questions** |  |
| Word Choice | 2 | 4 pts |
| Meaning | 2 | 4 pts |
| Rhetorical Elements | 2 | 4 pts |
| Tone | 2 | 4 pts |
| Compare/Contrast representations | 2 | 4 pts |
| From the 20 questions total, 12 use  specific quotations or passages  from *Catcher in the Rye* |  | 15 pts |
| Test typed in example format  Test contains answer key.  Test is printed on due date. |  | 15 pts |
| Score on another peers test |  | 10 pts |