



1. Why does Grey Owl do after the bear is shot by the hunter? Why does he do that?
2. What is Grey Owl writing about in a magazine?
3. What does Gertrude Bernard* (a.k.a. “Pony”) want Grey Owl to show her?
4. What does Grey Owl’s Indian name (*Wa-Sha-Quon-Asin*) mean in English?
5. Why does Pony’s father, Jim Bernard**, come to speak to Grey Owl?
6. What does Grey Owl do for a living?
7. What does Pony think about what Grey Owl does?
8. How does Grey Owl explain his blue eyes and English first name (Archie)?
9. White men use dynamite on beaver dams which kills the kits (baby beavers) as well as the adults (the Aboriginals never kill the kits). What is Grey Owl concerned about happening?
10. When it becomes spring time, Grey Owl and Pony head out to a beaver dam and find that a mother beaver has drowned by getting caught in a trap but two kits are left behind. Grey Owl knows they won’t survive on their own, so he decides to shoot them now instead of letting them suffer. What does Pony do?!
11. Pony understands killing animals for _____ and _____ but she does not approve of killing animals for _____.
12. One morning Pony can’t find one of the kits (a baby beaver). What concerns Grey Owl?
13. Why is it surprising that this concerns him so much?
14. What does he do because of his reaction to this incident?
15. Grey Owl is short of money even after selling his pelts. What does he do for money?
16. What does he talk about at the hotel?
17. After his talk, what is Grey Owl offered by the Parks Service?
18. What is surprising about Grey Owl’s piano-playing abilities?

19. What did Grey Owl do to promote his conservationist efforts (remember that package he sent to Toronto from Elk River when he was cashing in his pelts?!)?
20. Why is Grey Owl concerned about the publicist's interest in his own life?
21. Why did Grey Owl write the book? Now what do some want him to do?
22. What got Pony's (now a.k.a. *Anahareo*) attention when Grey Owl talks about his parents?
23. Why do Grey Owl and *Anahareo* get married when they do?
24. What is the subject of Grey Owl's public talks in England?
25. Who does Grey Owl visit on a quiet residential street while he's in England?
26. Given the state of his bedroom, what was Grey Owl interested in as a child?
27. What is Grey Owl whisked off to as soon as he returns to Canada?
28. Why is Grey Owl so hesitant to appear at this event?
29. What does Grey Owl do to clear his conscience before he appears before the Chiefs?
30. How does *Anahareo* take the news?
31. Ned*** has stated that Grey Owl now speaks for all of them (all Aboriginals). The Chiefs welcome him in and praise him for drawing attention to conservationism – a key component of Aboriginal life – and bringing respect for Aboriginal people. The Grand Chief tells Grey Owl that “men become what they dream”. What do the Chiefs already know about Grey Owl?
32. The movie ends with the same scene it started with (the entire movie was a flashback). What does the reporter do with the story that he has discovered about Archie Belaney a.k.a. Grey Owl (in a day when the media had great respect for the privacy and dignity of people!)?

* *The character of Gertrude Bernard in this movie is played by Aboriginal Canadian Annie Galipeau of an Algonquin reserve in Maniwaki, Quebec.*

** *The character of Jim Bernard in this movie is played by Aboriginal Canadian Graeme Greene of the Six Nations Reserve, just outside of Brantford, Ontario.*

*** *The character of Ned White Bear in this movie is played by Aboriginal Canadian Nathaniel Arcand of Edmonton, Alberta.*

Why is it particularly appropriate that Pierce Brosnan play the role of Grey Owl?