Gulliver’s Travels Film Guide (1996 version)

Answer each question on your own paper.

The story of Dr. Lemuel Gulliver begins......

1. What is the woman in white (Mary Gulliver) being pressured to do at the beginning of the film?
2. What causes the woman to investigate the barn?
3. What does the strange man (Dr. Lemuel Gulliver) in the barn first say?

The flashbacks begin...get ready for the story to switch between settings....

Adventure 1

4. What is unusual about the Lilliputians?
5. What have the Lilliputians done to the Lemuel Gulliver while he was unconscious?
6. The Lilliputan soldiers first believe that Gulliver is what?
7. Why do the Lilliputians learn “leaping and creeping”?
8. In England, who now owns Lemuel and Mary’s house? Why did this happen?
9. How does Gulliver become a war hero to the Lilliputians?
10. Why are Big-Enders the enemies of the Lilliputians? What is the origin of their feud?
11. How does Gulliver embarrass the Empress? What punishment does the Emperor finally decree?
12. How does Gulliver escape the Lilliputan army?
13. In England, where does Dr. Bates take Gulliver?

Adventure 2

14. What is unusual about the Brobdingnags?
15. How does Gulliver earn money for the farmer who found him?
16. Who is Glumdalclitch?
17. Who purchases Gulliver from the farmer?
18. How do the Brobdingnags govern themselves?
19. Where does Gulliver live while at the palace?
20. Why does Gulliver introduce gunpowder to the Brobdingnags? What happens?
21. What items does Tom Gulliver find in his father’s knapsack back home in England?
22. Why does Gildrig want to kill Gulliver?
23. What happens to Gulliver while he is at the beach with Glumdalclitch?

Adventure 3

24. What is unusual about the island of Laputa?
25. Describe the people of Laputa. What is their main activity?
26. How does Prince Munodi describe himself?
27. In England, what does Dr. Bates do with Mary’s letter?
28. How is the island controlled (in “scientific” terms)?
29. In England, what is Tom drawing?
30. Why does the Rajah attack his wife’s kingdom?
31. How does the Rajah’s wife counter the attack?
32. Why does Gulliver want to “reverse the lodestone”?
33. Where does Gulliver fall?
34. What is the Rajah’s wife’s opinion of intellectualism?
35. Why does Gulliver want to find the Academy?
36. Why is the old man mashing cucumbers?
37. Who does Gulliver meet in the Room of Answers?
38. Back in England, where is Gulliver placed?
39. When Gulliver is supposedly drugged and sleeping at night, what does the historian do to him?
40. Name two of the historical people Gulliver summons on his own. What is his purpose for doing this?
41. Back in England, how is Dr. Bates caught in a lie?
42. What is wrong with the people near the waters of immortality?
**Adventure 4: The Houyhnhms (pronounced “how WIN ems”) and the Yahoos**

43. Describe the Yahoos.
44. Describe the Houyhnhms.
45. Who is “Mistress”?
46. What does Gulliver find by digging on the beaches? Why does he throw away what he finds?
47. What does the Houyhnhm Council decide about Gulliver’s fate?
48. Why does Gulliver throw his food overboard?
49. Who rescues Gulliver?
50. During the court hearing, what does Mary answer when Dr. Bates asks if Mary believes Gulliver’s stories?
51. What is Tom’s evidence, and what does it prove?
52. Why does Gulliver like to visit the stables at his home?
53. What can Gulliver still not tolerate at the end of the film?