**Dances with Wolves**

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1. Why does Lt. John Dunbar attempt to commit suicide by riding past the Confederate lines on St. David’s Field in Tennessee in 1863?
2. Who is Cisco?
3. Why do you think that Dunbar wants a post in the West?
4. How does Dunbar describe Timmons (the wagon driver)?
5. Describe the condition of Fort Sedgwick when Dunbar first arrives.
6. What happens to Timmons on the way back to Fort Hays?
7. What does Dunbar name the wolf that visits his post?
8. Why does Dunbar scare Kicking Bird away from the fort?
9. Why does Wind In His Hair believe that Dunbar is alone by himself?
10. How do Kicking Bird’s views of Dunbar differ from Wind In His Hair?
11. Why does Stone Calf believe that killing a white man is “delicate business?”
12. What happens to Otter, when the boys the boys attempt to steal Dunbar’s horse?
13. Why does Wind In His Hair ride right up to Dunbar after taking his horse?
14. Why does Dunbar decide to visit the local Native Americans?
15. Who does Dunbar encounter on his way to the local Native American encampment?
16. What decision does Ten Bears make regarding Dunbar?
17. What is a “tatanka?”
18. Why does Dunbar believe that Kicking Bird is “man of some weight” among his people?
19. What are Dunbar’s thoughts about Wind In His Hair?
20. Why is Stands With A Fist afraid of Dunbar?
21. Describe the dream which Stands With A Fist has, which dates back to her childhood.
22. What type of gift does Kicking Bird bring to Dunbar?
23. Why is Dunbar asked to visit the Native’s village?
24. How do the Native Americans react to the buffalo that were slaughtered by the white hunters?
25. Why would hunting buffalo have been dangerous?
26. Describe the trade that Wind In His Hair makes with Dunbar.
27. Why do you think that Dunbar begins to feel lonely?
28. Why does Kicking Bird grow frustrated with Dunbar?
29. What favor does Kicking Bird ask of Dunbar?
30. What name do the Sioux give to Dunbar?
31. How did Stands With A Fist get her name?
32. Why is Stands With A Fist in mourning?
33. Who helps Dunbar locate the rifles that he had buried?
34. Who advises Kicking Bird to end the mourning period for Stands with a Fist?
35. According to Kicking Bird, what trail in life matters most?
36. What does Dunbar tell Kicking Bird about the whites who will be arriving?
37. What does Ten Bears show to Dunbar and Kicking Bird?
38. Why does Dunbar go back for his diary as the Native Americans prepare to leave for their winter camp?
39. What happens when Dunbar returns to Fort Sedgwick?
40. How does Dunbar respond when he is asked, “Why aren’t you in uniform?”
41. What is Dunbar’s stolen diary used for?
42. Why does the Army send Dunbar back to Fort Hays?
43. How does Two Socks die?
44. Who rescues Dunbar?
45. Explain why Dances With Wolves felt obligated to leave the Native’s village.
46. What gift does Smiles A Lot give to Dunbar before his departure?
47. How does Wind In His Hair’s relationship with Dunbar (Dances With Wolves) change during the course of the film?
48. Why were the Sioux ultimately forced to submit to white authority at Fort Robinson?
49. Predict what will become of Dunbar (Dances With Wolves) and Stands With A Fist.
50. What is your takeaway from this film?