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# **The Guest – Albert Camus - Group Questions**

Textbook pages 1244 -1257

1. How does Camus depict nature and human nature throughout the story? Provide one quote and one two sentence explanation to address each form of nature.

Nature -

Human nature -

2. Why does Balducci think he can leave the prisoner with Daru? Explain your answer.
3. Why does Daru say he will not take him to prison? What is Balducci's attitude about this?
4. How are Daru's and Balducci's attitudes toward the situation different? Explain how each of them determines how they think they should handle the situation.
5. What are Daru's internal and external conflicts?

6. In what ways does Daru treat the Arab as a guest? In what ways is Daru a guest?
7. Why does Daru give the Arab the opportunity to escape?
8. What does the Arab do at the end of the story? What does his decision tell the reader about him?
9. What is ironic about what happens to Daru at the end of the story?
10. What details from the story foreshadow the outcome of the story? Think about Camus's commentary on the events in nature. You must provide at least 2 quotes to support your answer.
11. Explain how each character's decisions express their overall point of view on life.
12. Think about the factors that influence the decisions of each character in the story. Based on the characters' actions, what is a possible message that Camus is expressing to the reader?