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Things Fall Apart Reading Check Quiz chs. 16-20

1. Why does the first native tribe woman join the white Christian church?
2. Specifically, where is the Christian church built?
3. How does the location of the church ironically give its ministers a kind of power in the eyes of native tribespeople over time?
4. The interpreter has difficulty explaining the difference between God and his son. Why? What can't the tribespeople understand?
5. Who or what is an *osu*?
6. What is the Christian church's stance on an *osu*?
7. Why does Okonkwo grind his teeth in rage at the meeting of the Mbanta elders?
8. What are the significance of the names: Nneka, or "Mother is Supreme," and Nwofia, or "Begotten in the Wilderness"?
9. How does Okonkwo compare the people of Abame with the people of Umuofia?
10. What is the significance of the proverb: "The clan was like a lizard; if it lost its tail it soon grew another"? (p. 121)