

Cool History for Middles

Year One, Week 8

QUESTIONS FROM THE READINGS

1.	When famine hits in the Promised Land, Jacob sends all his sons to buy food except one. Which one?
2.	Joseph tests his brothers to see what kind of men they've become. He starts his test by throwing them all in
	jail for how long?
3.	One brother stays in jail while the others all go
	back to Jacob. Which one?
4.	When Joseph threatens to enslave the youngest
	brother, one of the brothers offers to become a
	slave in his place. Which one?
5.	FILL IN THE BLANK: For Joseph's sake, the pharaoh gives his whole family a new home in the Nile Delta. The
	Jews settle in a part of Egypt called, probably on the east side of the Nile Delta.
6.	The Hyksos pharaohs ruled from a capital on the eastern edge of the Nile Delta. Name this capital
7.	A certain Hyksos pharaoh was terribly annoyed with Pharaoh Sekenenre of the Seventeenth Dynasty. Name
	this Hyksos pharaoh
8.	The Second Intermediate Period ended when a certain pharaoh conquered the Hyksos and took back all
	Egypt. What was this pharaoh called?
9.	That same pharaoh was also the first of a great new dynasty. Which dynasty?
10.	Pharaoh Thutmose I killed the king of an enemy country with an arrow from his own bow. What country?
11.	The first great female pharaoh was born to Thutmose I and his royal wife. What was this female pharaoh called?
12.	The Dream Stele tells how a certain pharaoh received a dream vision from a certain god. What god?
13.	Which pharaoh was so rich that he is nicknamed "the Magnificent"?
14.	FILL IN THE BLANK: Pharaoh Akhenaten didn't want Egyptians to worship their old gods anymore. Instead,
	he wanted them to worship a new idea called the
15.	Akhenaten built a new capital to build up his new religion. Give both names of his new capital.

16.	Akhenaten's son had two names: one that honored his father's religion, and another that honored the old
	Egyptian gods. What name did he end up with?
17.	After Akhenaten's son died, his widow asked a certain king to let her marry one of his sons. What people did
	this king rule?
18.	The best-known work of art from Akhenaten's day is a bust of his beautiful wife. What was she called?
	CHALLENGE QUESTIONS
1.	Joseph puts silver in his brothers' grain sacks because he wants to know something about them. What does he want to know?
2.	Joseph loves his brother Benjamin more than any of the others, for only Benjamin is his full brother. Yet of all his brothers, Benjamin is the only one he threatens to enslave. Why?
3.	Explain what Joseph means when he says in Genesis 50:20: "But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive."
4.	Apepi ordered Sekenenre to get rid of his hippos because he said their noise was keeping him awake at night. But that couldn't be the real reason, because the two pharaohs lived hundreds of miles apart. What was the real reason, probably?
5.	The future Pharaoh Thutmose IV may have had a dream about the Great Sphinx, or he may have only pretended to have one. Why would he pretend?
6.	Pharaoh Akhenaten may have truly believed his new religion, or he may have only pretended to believe. Why would he invent a whole new religion if he didn't believe it?

GIANTS OF THE FAITH: Ephraim and Manasseh

OPTIONAL BONUS QUESTION/ACTIVITY

Queen Hatshepsut didn't build a pyramid, but she did build a fascinating building called a mortuary temple. Find a picture of the Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut and draw or paste it here. Notice that the temple looks fantastic for its age, which is around 3,500 years. Did it always look this good, or has someone fixed it up in recent years?