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Bible Quiz

Newsletter

2022-2023 QUIZ SEASON:

THESSALONIANS, TIMOTHY, TITUS & 1, 2, 3 JOHN BREAKDOWN:					
"Championship"		"Contender"		"XP5"	
(6th-12th grade)		(6th-12th grade)		(6th-12th grade))
1 & 2 Thess.	136	1 & 2 Thess.	136	1 Thess. 1-2	30
1 & 2 Tim Chap 1	131	1 Timothy	113	1 Thess. 3-4	31
2 Tim 2-4 & Titus	111	2 Timothy	83	1 Thess. 5	28
1, 2, 3 John	133	Titus	46	2 Tim 2	26
Total Verses	511	Total Verses	378	Total Verses	115

- Master Memorization Award. All of 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, and 1, 2, 3 John within 45 minutes, 5 mistakes or less and must be quoted consecutively, in one sitting
- Adult quizzing at National BQ Finals, July 1-7, 2023:
 - Veteran Division: 1 John Chapters 1-5
 - Fun Division: 1 John Chapters 1-3. Question writer TBA.
- Requirements for the Discipleship Award are posted at <u>http://www.biblequiz.com</u> for the 2022-2023 BQ Season.
- Application Questions are posted at <u>http://www.biblequiz.com</u> for the 2022-2023 BQ Season.
- Need a quiz set? Steve Kirkman, <u>www.quizequipment.com</u>
- Quote Cards are available through Biblequizshop.com
- Need to find other BQ information? <u>http://www.biblequiz.com</u>
- Scripture Portion: Please note Crete in Titus 1:5 is not in "Italics"- It should be. It is listed as such in the CA, and the new Entire CA. It is also italicized in vs 12.

WRITERS TIPS: CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION:

General

- Generally, questions will be easy to interrupt except Scripture-text Questions, but these will be interruptible before the quote in many cases. All questions will be predictable to finish.
- Knowing unique words, chapter analysis by section, chapter, and book, and "if" conditional statements will be valuable for teams.
- Application Questions will be used for Leagues 1 4 only
- Utilizing practice sets of all levels of difficulty will give teams a great advantage as patterns will originate there, especially in the DRN practice sets
- Locators will broaden towards regionals/nationals

10-point Questions

- The difficulty will be very similar for all levels
- Generally, answers will come from a single verse and be no longer than 7 words

20-point Questions

- Leagues: These questions will typically be 8 words or more and will come from a single verse. It will be important to know verse references and chapter analysis. Questions will come from sections more so than chapters.
- League finals: The difficulty will increase slightly from leagues. Statement and Essence/Quotation questions will be introduced.
- Districts: Question difficulty will increase significantly, with questions coming from 2 verses on average. Chapter analysis will be used in greater capacity and basic concordance will be introduced.
- Regionals: Mastery of the material will be highly advantageous. Questions will cover 1

 3 verses, with the introduction of chapter analysis by book and concordance increasing in difficulty.
- Nationals: Mastery of the material will be required. Questions will cover 1 5 verses, along with knowing chapter analysis over all the material. Concordance questions will all need to be studied beforehand.

30-point Questions

- Leagues: These questions will come from a single verse but answers will be longer than 20-point questions. It will be important to know verse references and chapter analysis. Questions will come from chapters more so than sections.
- League finals: The difficulty will increase slightly, with locators becoming less used. Knowing section analysis will give quizzers an advantage. Statement and Essence/Quotation questions will be introduced.
- Districts: Question difficulty will increase significantly, with questions coming from 3 verses on average. Chapter analysis will be used in greater capacity and basic concordance will be introduced.
- Regionals: Mastery of the material will be highly advantageous. Questions will cover 3

 5 verses, with the introduction of chapter analysis by book and concordance increasing in difficulty.
- Nationals: Mastery of the material will be required. Questions will cover 4 7 verses, along with knowing chapter analysis over all the material. Concordance questions will all need to be studied beforehand.

Josh Gallo

WRITERS TIPS: CONTENDER & XP5 DIVISIONS:

General style:

I like to make quizzers think about the meaning of the text. Pay close attention to the "whys" of Paul's arguments. While all questions will be solely based on the text itself, taking the time to study and truly understand each chapter will prove beneficial for many questions, especially ones that require quizzers to think "backwards." Also expect "standard" questions that do not require as much analytical thinking. The best tool for understanding what to expect will be the Contender Study Questions. Scripture Text Questions and blind questions should be interrupted cautiously.

League Competition:

10-point questions will remain consistent in difficulty from the league level through Regional Finals. Most will be in the neighborhood of seven words or fewer. It's not a hard and fast rule, however, so some may exceed that limit. Some reference knowledge will be required for all point values. Most 30-point questions will require close to an entire verse in length. All Quotation Questions throughout the year will come from the marked primary verses in the Scripture portion. Essence Questions may come from any verse.

District Finals:

Expect the difficulty of 20- and 30-point questions to increase. 30-point questions may span up to two verses. Understanding connections between portions of the text will become increasingly important, as will the ability to quote the material and recall verses by reference. Some single-verse concordance may be asked.

Regional Finals:

Expect Regional 20-point questions to be similar to 30-point questions at District Finals. 30-point questions will span up to 3 consecutive verses (or longer if verse length is small) and may require larger chapter analysis lists, giving sections, and "of"-type concordance answers.

Heather Cox

QUIZZER TIPS

The way I usually start studying is I memorize about five to ten verses a day (I usually start after Nationals is over). A useful way to memorize is regardless of how many verses I memorize a day; I try to say the verses from the day before as well the new verses I learned and do that until I finish the chapter. (Ex: First day: five verses, second day: five new verses and the five from the day before, third day: five new verses and the ten from the days before, etc.) It is also important to always remember what is memorized. For example, if I finish the first chapter, I find it helpful to say it again and again alongside the other chapters, so I don't forget it. To prepare for a meet, regardless of the level, it is important to recite the chapters again and again. If it's for a league meet, I might only recite a couple chapters a day, but if it's for Regionals or Nationals, I'll do more than that. Another thing I would recommend is that sometimes it is hard to finish the allotted portion between the league meets, so if I have time, I like to learn a little ahead so that I won't be rushed towards the league meet. Another thing I would recommend is to be able to pull out verses with just their references. A helpful way of doing this is to know what the 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, etc. verses (the verses with a multiple of 5) are, so that if, for example, they ask for verse 33, if you know what verse 30 is, then you only need to count three verses, or if they ask "in verse 6 ...," you know where to look.

As far as chapter analysis is concerned, I usually highlight and learn them alongside the memorization process. As for unique words, I like to underline them and study them as I memorize. As far as concordance is concerned, I personally feel as if most of them show up at national level competitions, so I mainly memorize them for Regionals and Nationals, but I do think it would be a good idea to memorize them throughout the year. Another helpful thing is to identify any patterns that occur throughout the book(s). (For example, in Matthew, only two chapters didn't name Jesus, etc.)

As far as match day is concerned, it's important to eat well and to have a positive attitude. Also, it is necessary to remained focused on the match, while simultaneously having fun.

But above all, the most important thing is to use Bible Quiz to draw closer to God!

Shreya Joy, 12th grade, Atlanta Indian Prayer Fellowship, Marietta, GA

When I am studying at the beginning of the season, I focus more on memorization and chapter analysis. I memorize a certain number of verses per day, depending on the length of the portion we do that year. I can range between 7-12 verses a day. Each day when I memorize more, I make sure that I remember the verses I memorized on previous days by quoting them to someone. When I complete a chapter, I go to the chapter analysis section, and I memorize all the chapter analysis for that chapter, including verse references.

When I am quoting, one thing I focus on is saying each verse reference. I do that so when I am asked questions that require me to pinpoint certain verses, it will come easier for me. When I memorize, I first read the entire verse, then I split up the verse by saying the first chunk of it. (**Phrase questions*) Then I look away and repeat it at least five times. Then I add the next chunk, and I do the same thing. Next, I say both of those chunks together, at least five times without looking. After that, I add another chunk and repeat it at least five times. Before I move on, I put together all the chunks and make sure I can quote it at least five times without making any mistakes. I keep repeating this process until I finish the verse.

After I add a couple verses, I make sure I can quote all of them without making any mistakes before I continue to memorize. Once I'm done, I quote everything I memorized for the day multiple times until I can quote it smoothly. The trick is to study consistently, one piece at a time.

layden Nimako, 11th grade, Radiant Life, Dublin, OH

* Editor notes-What Jayden is describing are the Phrase Questions, which are available on every Digital Bundle.

COACHES TIPS

First of all, I want to say that it is an honor and joy to have the opportunity to minister to kids and teenagers through coaching. Sometimes, in the thick of a quiz season, that can be too easily forgotten. God had blessed you with the ability to share some of your knowledge and guidance to the next generation, so please, don't approach it half-heartedly. "So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God" 1 Corinthians 10:31 NLT.

That said, it can be tough trying to jump right into coaching with little to no previous experience. So here are a couple of practical things you can start doing to help improve you as a coach and a team:

1. At the beginning of a quiz season, take some time to sit down with your quizzers and create goals for each quizzer and for the team. These goals can be something as simple as quizzing out for the first time, or they can be more involving like placing well at National

Finals. No matter what happens throughout the quiz season, make sure all your quizzers remember their goal(s) and do their best to achieve them.

2. In my opinion, knowing the rules is a must for all coaches. This is especially true for coaches with new quizzers. Knowing the rules not only helps your team in contesting, it also is a useful tool for helping quizzers realize why they may have answered a question incorrectly. The better you know the rules, the more of an advantage you have against teams that don't.

3. This one is probably the most important thing you can do to help your team out. Don't be afraid to ask others for help. Bible Quiz is one grand family of believers who are willing to assist others when they can. If you have a question, chances are someone has an answer. So please, don't feel ashamed to ask.

The main point of Bible Quiz is to have kids / teenagers learn God's word so that it will stay with them when they need it most. While it's ok to treat it as a competition, don't ever forget you are there to help groom your quizzers into becoming mighty men and women for the kingdom of God.

Solomon Stevens, Redeemer Church, Utica, NY

BIBLE QUIZ RETREATS/CAMPS UPDATES:

DAKOTA QUIZ:

Fingerprints and mugshots were taken as 50 people entered THE GREAT ESCAPE 828511 camp. The camp was held on the weekend of August 4-6. Work orders were given to group leaders which included memorization checklists, puzzles to solve, and special team challenges to be completed throughout the weekend for points.

Each team proceeded through a structured schedule of small group learning which included memorization tips, question types defined, the heart of quiz, called by God, concordance games, and a real live Escape Room titled, 'The Troas Trap.' Our leaders and speakers were mostly alumni and they did a great job with messages, classes, connecting with and engaging new quizzers into the quiz family. At the end of camp, everyone was paroled with the agreement that they would set personal goals that involved at least a portion of this years' 8 books, 28 chapters, 511 verses.

David and Denise Sullivan, South Dakota DBQC

NORTH TEXAS:

The 2022 South Central Quiz Camp, which was held on Friday & Saturday, Aug 12 & 13, was a blast. We had 31 total people, including 7 new quizzers and 1 new coach. We added more time for quizzing this year. Every group went deeper with training than in previous years. But there was still time for archery tag, swimming, and campfire s'mores in the evening. It was a great weekend, and I look forward to this year of quiz! *Michael Pearson, North Texas DBQC*

PENN-DEL BQ CAMP:

We had an amazing weekend at Penn-Del BQ Camp 2022 the weekend of 12-14 August in Carlisle, PA. There were 155 Campers and 28 first-time quizzers at camp this year. We had many new faces and churches from the North East. There were amazing sessions of quizzing and adult sessions. We had our first Quiz War Games that was a huge hit and everyone enjoyed it. There were wonderful times of Worship and the Word, as well as

late night Dodge Ball. The best testimony of all is that God is working in the lives of the 87 quizzers that were in attendance this year! *Patty Blake, Penn-Del DBQC*

BQ Training Opportunities

Georgia BQ Training September 10, 2022 Macon, GA Training for coaches & all levels of quizzers Contact Doug Black 678-767-2249 bggeorgia@gmail.com

> Oklahoma Kick-off September 10, 2022 8 am – 4 pm Yale Assembly of God, Yale OK Contact: Beki Johnson <u>oklahomabiblequiz@gmail.com</u>

Northern New England Bible Quiz Retreat September 10, 2022 First Baptist Church, Springvale, ME Contact: Nancy Lambert *jlnl@myfairpoint.net*

Palmetto BQ Training September 17, 2022 Aiken, SC Contact: Bernie Elliot <u>ElliotBQ@qmail.com</u>

BQ TOURNAMENTS

Liberty Classic September 24th, 2022 Northern NJ/NYC Metro Area Championship/Contender: 1 Thessalonians XP5: 1 Thessalonians 1-2 Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

> 38th Annual Gold Cup October 22, 2022 Trinity Church in Cedar Hill, Texas Writers James and LaJoie Lex Gold and Silver Division

Question over 1 and 2 Thessalonians Contact: Lori Sullivan <u>safkids@gmail.com</u>

BQ TOURNAMENTS

5th Annual Bluegrass Classic October 22, 2022 Lexington First Assembly, Lexington, KY Divisions: Championship, Contender, XP-5 Email <u>tbg.kentucky@gmail.com</u> for more information!

> 29th Gobblefest Bible Quiz Tournament November 18-19, 2022 Championship; Contender; XP5 University of Valley Forge, PA Bernie Elliot <u>ElliotBQ@gmail.com</u> 412-999-9330

Mid-Winter Classic BQ Tournament January 13-14, 2023 Sioux Falls, SD Championship, Contender, and XP5 Levels Contact Don Batty, <u>debatty00@gmail.com</u> 608-566-6255

38th Friendship Classic January 27, 28, 2023 Oxford AG, Oxford, FL Championship only Bernie Elliot: <u>ElliotBQ@gmail.com</u> 412-999-9330 Cell

Presidents Cup February 4th, 2023 Championship: 1&2 Thess., 1&2 Tim, Titus Contender: 1&2 Thess., 1&2 Tim. Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

> Windy City Classic March 3 & 4, 2023 Calvary Church, Naperville, IL David & Jolene Powell <u>wheatonpowells@yahoo.com</u> 630.596.3446

Jersey Shore Pre-Nats June 2-3, 2023 Tinton Falls, NJ All material covered Contact: Jesse Czubkowski jesseczubkowski@gmail.com

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