

**The Bird's Nest**  
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Based on the reading of the book *The Bird's Nest*, select the correct answer.

1. A young prince and his tutor offered a shepherd boy a gold coin if he would show them a bird's nest. The shepherd refused the coin because ---
  - a. he had promised Michael he would not tell, and God would know if he broke his promise.
  - b. he did not need the money and wanted to keep the nest a secret.
  - c. he wanted to protect the birds and knew the Lord wanted their hiding place kept secret.
  - d. he did not think the tutor would really give him the coin after he showed them the nest.
  
2. The young prince and his tutor often observed the shepherd boy using his time wisely. The tutor said that time ---
  - a. goes on forever and is difficult to fathom.
  - b. is a treasure and once it is gone it is never to be found again.
  - c. can be recaptured if one seeks to redeem it.
  - d. keeps ticking away and we must cherish each day.
  
3. The prince promised to give the shepherd an elegant new book if he could read a chapter in it without making any mistakes. The book was ---
  - a. a complete copy of Aesop's Fables.
  - b. a shepherd's guide for keeping flocks safe.
  - c. a book containing all of the Psalms.
  - d. a complete copy of the New Testament.
  
4. After the story about the friendship between the generous prince and the diligent shepherd boy was told to Baron von Frenhold's sons, it was revealed that the shepherd boy was actually ---
  - a. King David.
  - b. the Crown Prince.
  - c. their father, Baron von Frenhold.
  - d. Baron von Frenhold's father.
  
5. In the story *The Diamond Ring*, after Joseph was told about his mother's death he wrote to his sister Ellen and comforted her, telling her ---
  - a. that their mother was in heaven and one day they would see her again.
  - b. that God would provide for them and send them help.
  - c. that their father would return quickly and take care of them.
  - d. that God would work everything out for good because they loved Him.

6. Ellen was given the job of caring for children for a lord and lady in a nearby castle. Joseph attributed this fortunate opportunity to the fact that ---
  - a. Ellen had always been good with children, and her abilities were well known throughout the land.
  - b. the lord and lady took an instant liking to Ellen because she looked so much like their daughter.
  - c. no one else in the land desired the job of caring for these unruly children.
  - d. their parents had not given them riches, but gave them upright and honest principles to live by.
  
7. Joseph remarked that some people talked about “accident” and “chance,” but that ---
  - a. there was no such thing as chance or accidents in the world where God rules over everything.
  - b. these words would never be a part of his vocabulary.
  - c. other people believed that everything happened for a reason.
  - d. the chance of him finding a diamond ring was almost impossible.
  
8. In the story *The Mother’s Gift*, Edward and Fanny were ---
  - a. father and daughter.
  - b. father and mother.
  - c. brother and sister.
  - d. husband and wife.
  
9. By what means were Fanny and Edward reunited?
  - a. They both happened to be dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carnaby.
  - b. Edward’s long forgotten Bible now belonged to Fanny.
  - c. They met at an orphanage and recognized one another instantly.
  - d. Edward rescued Fanny from drowning one stormy night.
  
10. In the story *The Boy Who Would not Take a Shilling*, what was it that William Hazeldean gained by his integrity?
  - a. the opportunity to work as a guide in the city of Rossington
  - b. the ability to be able to see a need before it was spoken
  - c. a home with the lawyer he had refused to take the shilling from
  - d. the opportunity to improve himself and provide for his parents in their old age