

Winter's Folly

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Based on the reading of the book *Winter's Folly*, select the best answer.

1. What did mother tell Myrtle and Ivy about tears?
 - a. Tears are never wasted or useless.
 - b. Remember that Jesus wept and that tears cost us a lot.
 - c. It is important to shed tears when we feel sorry for people.
 - d. Shedding tears for others is not enough; we must ask the Lord what we can do.

2. Myrtle gave Mr. Winter ---
 - a. a bouquet of her most beautiful roses.
 - b. a tear-bottle to use to catch his tears.
 - c. a rose with a verse on a card fastened to it.
 - d. a beautiful furze-bush for his front yard.

3. Mr. Winter invited Myrtle into his house the first time because ---
 - a. he was sick in bed and needed help.
 - b. he wanted to ask her to stop giving him gifts.
 - c. he wanted to ask her why she was being so kind to him.
 - d. he was dying and wanted to thank her and tell her good-bye.

4. When Myrtle became ill Mr. Drummond ---
 - a. was glad she would be in bed a while and be quieter around the house.
 - b. knew that all would be well and that he could trust her to the Lord.
 - c. went to the doctor and asked him for some special medicine.
 - d. blamed Mr. Winter because Mr. Winter had caused her illness.

5. William Winter asked to adopt Topsy from his brother Jacob because ---
 - a. he felt sorry for her and Jacob because they were poor.
 - b. he and his wife wanted to adopt a child and he thought Topsy was lovely.
 - c. he wanted to give Jacob money and take the troublesome child from him.
 - d. he was mean and wanted to hurt his brother by taking his only child from him.

6. Jacob Winter decided to allow his brother to adopt Topsy because ---
 - a. he was growing tired of her complaining ways.
 - b. the minister at the church told him it would be the best thing for her.
 - c. he was no longer able to provide for her and wanted her to have a better life.
 - d. he loved his brother and decided it was more blessed to give than to receive.

7. Why did Mr. Winter decide to tell Myrtle the sad story of his life?
 - a. She had been begging for him to tell her for a long time.
 - b. She was very ill and he wanted her to know more about him before she died.
 - c. He wanted her to feel sorry for him and to spend more time with him.
 - d. He knew she cared for him and knew that he could trust her with his secrets.

8. When Marguerite returned from a Bible –class at Brighton her mother ---
 - a. listened to Marguerite’s words and wished she knew that *her* soul was safe.
 - b. was upset that Marguerite had not taken the words of salvation to heart.
 - c. prayed with her and rejoiced that they were both now saved.
 - d. wished she had been able to attend the class and hear Miss Ainsworth speak.

9. Who was the unexpected guest at Mr. Winter’s tea party?
 - a. Myrtle Drummond
 - b. William Winter
 - c. Marguerite Winter
 - d. Mary Thornton

10. At the end of the story Myrtle told Mr. Winter she had brought him a text---
 - a. because her mother had told her it was the right thing to do.
 - b. because Ivy had dared her to creep up to his door and leave it for him.
 - c. so that he might think about attending her father’s church.
 - d. because she knew Jesus would comfort him, whatever was the matter with him.