



MAR THOMA DIOCESAN SUNDAY SCHOOLS
DIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA AND EUROPE

Grade 6 - 2022 Diocesan Examination

Time: 90 Minutes

Maximum Score: 100 Points

Section 1: Fill in the Blanks

Write the appropriate word(s) in the space provided (10 x 1 = 10 Points)

1. _____ was not present when Jesus appeared to all the disciples.
(**Thomas, L22, P88**)
2. _____ are wise men who studied the stars for a living. (**Magi, L13, P55**)
3. Jesus said to _____, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham." (**Zacchaeus, L17, P67**)
4. The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream at _____. (**Gibeon, L10, P40**)
5. Boanerges means Son of _____. (**Thunder, L14, P57**)
6. The Law of _____ was a Persian law that no order that the king establishes can be changed. (**Medes and Persians, L11, P45**)
7. Jacob called the place that he wrestled with God _____. (**Peniel, L2, P8**)
8. Elijah asked for _____ jars of water to be filled _____ times, and poured over the altar. (**Four / Three, L7, P28**)
9. Saul was on his way to _____ when a bright light from heaven flashed around him. (**Damascus, L24, P97**)
10. _____ was referred to as "man full of Faith and the Holy Spirit."
(**Stephen, L23, P93**)

Section 2: Match the following

Write the appropriate letter of the matching word from Column B that corresponds with the word from Column A.

(10 x 1 = 10 Points)

Column A	Match	Column B
1. Satrap	D-L11, P46	A. Saul
2. Joseph	F-L3, P12	B. "Father of Many"
3. Obed	I-L6, P26	C. Peniel
4. Greek Name meaning "twin"	H-L14, P59	D. Provisional governor of high authority in ancient Persian empire
5. Mordecai	G-L12, P50	E. Brother of Martha and Mary
6. "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved."	C-L2, P8	F. Dreamer
7. Abraham	B-L1, P6	G. A Jew who loved and obeyed God
8. Simon Peter	J-L14, P58	H. Didymus
9. "Apostle to the Gentiles"	A-L24, P98	I. Son of Boaz & Ruth
10. Lazarus	E-L19, P74	J. Hebrew name is Cephas

Section 3: Multiple Choices

Circle the most appropriate response for the following questions. (20 x 1 = 20 Points)

1. Who was the first disciple to become a martyr? **(L14 P57)**
 - a. **James the Elder**
 - b. John
 - c. Simon Peter
 - d. Andrew

2. Who molded a golden calf for the Israelites to worship? **(L4 P17)**
 - a. Joshua
 - b. Caleb
 - c. Moses
 - d. **Aaron**

3. The walls of Jericho came down on the _____ day. (L5 P20)
- 1st
 - 3rd
 - 6th
 - 7th**
4. What is the meaning of the name Joshua?(L5 P21)
- God will Uplift
 - Leader of Israel
 - The Lord Saves**
 - Leader
5. King Ahab and his wife set up altars and temples for _____ and _____.(L7 P29)
- Baal and God
 - Asherah and Israel
 - Him and His wife
 - Baal and Asherah**
6. According to Leviticus 25:25, a _____ was a relative who helped a poor person to get back on their feet.(L6 P26)
- Kinsman**
 - Boss
 - Friend
 - Business Associate
7. While Moses went up to speak to God on Mount Sinai, which one of the following commandments did the Israelites disobey?(L4 P17)
- Honor your father and your mother
 - You shall have no other Gods before me**
 - Keep the sabbath day holy.
 - Do not misuse the name of the lord your God.
8. Christians with a Greek origin are known as _____.(L23 P95)
- Believers
 - Gentiles
 - The Way
 - Hellenists**
9. Solomon went to _____ to sacrifice to the Lord.(L10 P40)
- Israel
 - Jerusalem
 - Gibeon**
 - Canaan

10. The windows of Daniel's house opened towards _____.(L11 P45)
- East
 - South
 - Jerusalem**
 - Nazareth
11. How old was Abram when he departed from his home onto his journey?(L1 P4)
- 100 years old
 - 75 years old**
 - 95 years old
 - 60 years old
12. Zacchaeus told the Lord he would pay back _____ times the amount to anybody he cheated.(L17 P66)
- Three
 - Four**
 - Ten
 - Seven
13. What is another description for a “shofar”?(L5 P18)
- Ram’s horn**
 - Rabbi
 - Chauffeur
 - Ark of the Covenant
14. Who was the disciple that did not believe until he saw the mark of the nail in Jesus' hand?
(L22 P88)
- Thomas**
 - Simon
 - Andrew
 - Judas
15. Jesus stated that "you are the light of the world" as part of the _____.
(L15 P 58)
- Sermon on the Mount**
 - Lord’s Prayer
 - Parables
 - Service
16. Who laid his hands on Saul for him to regain his sight?(L24 P97)
- Elijah
 - Ananias**
 - Elisha
 - Aaron

17. Which disciple was killed by arrows in Ararat?(L14 P56)
- Peter
 - Philip
 - Jude**
 - Judas Iscariot
18. God changed Abram's name to Abraham which means _____.(L1 P3)
- Father of Many**
 - Gift of God
 - God may Judge
 - Who is like God
19. Where did Lazarus, Mary, and Martha live?(L19 P76)
- Damascus
 - Jericho
 - Bethany**
 - Bethlehem
20. What is the greatest commandment among the 10 commandments given by God?
(L20 P79)
- Honor your father and mother
 - You shall not kill
 - Love God**
 - You shall not steal

Section 4: Short Answers

Answer any four (4 out of 6) of the following questions. Answers should be brief and to the point. (4 x 5 = 20 Points)

1. What were the instructions that God gave Joshua to enable the Israelites to be victorious over Jericho? What was the result? (L5 P18) 1 pt. each
 - **March around the city, with all warriors circling the city once for six days with seven priests holding trumpets of rams' horns before the ark.(1 pt)**
 - **On the seventh day, Joshua was to march around the city seven times, this time with the priests' blowing trumpets.(1 pt)**
 - **A long blast should be made with the ram's horn.(1 pt)**
 - **When the people hear the trumpet, they are to shout with a great voice and the wall of the city will fall down flat (and people shall charge straight in). (1 pt)**
 - **The Israelites were obedient to God's instructions and through following them were able to overtake the city of Jericho.(1 pt)**

2. Name the twelve disciples of Jesus (3pts)

For what purpose did Jesus call them (2pts) (L14 P55/56)

- **Simon also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew: James son of Zebedee, and his brother John, Philip and Bartholomew: Thomas and Mathew the tax collector: James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus: Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. (3 pts)**
- **Jesus called these 12 disciples to be the ones who will not only experience Jesus' missionary work, up close but also carry on his work after Jesus's death. They were to tell other about the good news of Jesus, life death and resurrection. (2 pts)**

3. List and explain any four teachings of the Sermon on the Mount. (L15 P58) (5 pts max)

- **You are the light of the world: It is our job to be a shining example for those around us. We should feel inspired to live according to God's commandment so that others may also come to see God through us.**
- **Anger and Murder: It makes us hard to treat other people with kindness, if we allow the anger in our heart to influence our actions. By acting out of anger, we are killing the relationship between God's children. We should therefore be slow to anger and quick to forgive, just as God is toward us.**
- **Loving your enemies: It is easy to treat others with kindness when they respond with kindness and love. However, Jesus shows us through his life and the cross, that praying for your enemies is the answer for any persecution we face from others.**
- **Giving to Charity: Giving to the less fortunate and do not have enough resources is not only noble, but right. We should give with a cheerful heart, and not seek praise or recognition from the people around us. We will be rewarded by God for our good actions.**

4. What does the term 'kinsman redeemer' mean? Describe the circumstances that led up to Boaz becoming a kinsman-redeemer? (L6 P21) 1 pt. ea.

- **A kinsman-redeemer is a relative who helped a poor person get back on their feet. In certain circumstances, where there were no children, a near relative could act as a kinsman-redeemer by marrying the relative's widow. (1 pt)**
- **Ruth and Naomi were both widows that settled in Moab. When the time came for the closest kin to claim the property belonging to the family of Ruth and Naomi, a relative came to acquire the land. (1 pt)**
- **Boaz told the relative that if he wanted to have the land, he would have to marry Ruth as well. (1 pt)**
- **Since the relative declined that offer, Boaz stepped forward as the kinsman and married Ruth. (1 pt)**
- **Boaz did not marry Ruth for her land, but out of a sense of duty, kindness and respect. In marrying Ruth, Boaz honored his role of protecting the family and would be able to take care of Naomi and Ruth. (1pt)**

5. Who was Stephen? What were the charges brought against him? How was Stephen able to be bold to speak the truth to his enemies? (L23 P93) (5 pts max)
- **Stephen was one of the seven men who were full of the spirit and wisdom in charge of the food distribution. (1 pt)**
 - **He was a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit. (1 pt)**
 - **He did great wonders and signs among the people. (1 pt)**
 - **He used the powers God had given him to help others. (1 pt)**
 - **These actions led other people to glorify God and accept Jesus as their savior and some of the Jews to consider him as an enemy. Stephen was charged for talking offensive against Moses and God and was brought before the council. (1 pt)**
 - **Everyone in the council looked intently at him and could see the face of an Angel on his face. Because of the grace of God, he had the wisdom and the Spirit to defend his faith in Jesus Christ. (1 pt)**
6. Who was Zacchaeus? (1 pt) Why did he climb the sycamore-fig tree? (1pt) What happened to him after that? (3 pts) (L17 P66)
- **Zacchaeus was a tax collector. (1 Pt)**
 - **He climbed on the tree because he wanted to see Jesus. (1 Pt)**
 - **He was short and could not see over the crowd (1 Pt)**
 - **Jesus told Zacchaeus " come down immediately. I must stay at your house today". Zacchaeus came down and Jesus stayed at his house. Zacchaeus promised to Jesus that he will give half of his possessions to the poor and if he has cheated anybody, he will pay back four times the amount. Zacchaeus became a changed man. He decided to share his wealth to the poor and give back more than what he collected in tax. Salvation came to his house. (3 Pts)**

Section 5: Memory Verse

Complete any five (5 out of 7) of the following in the sheet provided. (5 x 5 = 25 Points)

1. By contrast, **the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, and self-control. There is no law against such things**" Galatians 5:22-23
(L25 P101)
2. If any of you is lacking in wisdom, **ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given to you.** James 1:5
(L10 P37)
3. Rejoice always, **pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.** 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
(L15 P58)
4. "You shall not **make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.**" Exodus 20:4
(L4 P14)

5. But Ruth said, "**Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you!. Where you go, I will go,; Where you lodge, I will lodge: your people shall be my people, and your God my God**". Ruth 1: 16
(L6 P 21)
6. Then the man said, " **You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God** and have prevailed. Genesis 32: 28
(L2 P5)
7. I will make of you **a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great,so that you will be a blessing**. Genesis 12: 2
(L1 P1)

Section 6: MTC Foundation & Vision Multiple Choices

Circle the most appropriate response for the following questions. (10 x 1 = 10 Points)

1. The Gospels were translated into Malayalam in the year _____. **(MTFV L1 P136)**
 - a. AD 52
 - b. AD 1492
 - c. **AD 1811**
 - d. AD 1983
2. Abraham Malpan and eleven other priests submitted a Memorandum in 1836 to the British Resident suggesting much needed changes to the church called _____.
(MTFV L2 P139)
 - a. Nicene Creed
 - b. The Coonan Cross Oath
 - c. Lighted to Lighten
 - d. **The Trumpet call of Reformation**
3. What year did St. Thomas arrive in India? **(MTFV L1 P133)**
 - a. AD 1852
 - b. **AD 52**
 - c. AD 1599
 - d. AD 1653
4. Who is the representative of the Metropolitan in the local congregation? **(MTFV L4 P143)**
 - a. Mandalam representative
 - b. Diocesan Assembly Member
 - c. **Vicar**
 - d. Diocesan Bishop

5. _____ translated the Syrian liturgy into Malayalam. (MTFV L3 P139)
- Abraham Malpan**
 - Dr. Alexander Mar Thoma
 - St. Thomas
 - Archdeacon Geevarghese
6. The Gospels were translated into Malayalam in 1811 with the help of _____. (MTFV L2 P136)
- Vasco De Gama
 - Abraham Malpan
 - Jacob Bardeaus
 - Claudius Buchanan**
7. The Bishops of Mar Thoma church are elected by the Sabha Mandalam. What is required for a Bishop to be elected? (MTFV L4 P142)
- Majority votes of all Marthomites.
 - 75% votes of both the clergy and laity counted separately.**
 - Majority of both clergy and laity.
 - 75% from clergy alone.
8. Policy matters of the Parish are decided by the General Body of the Parish which consists of all communicant members of _____ years and above. (MTFV L4 P143)
- 13
 - 35
 - 18**
 - 60
9. The Diocese of North America and Europe of The Marthoma Church was established in _____. (L5 MTFV P147)
- 1947
 - 1988**
 - 1972
 - 1990
10. The meaning of the word "malpan" is _____. (MTFV L3 P139)
- Teacher**
 - Holy
 - Consecrated
 - Bishop

Section 7: MTC Foundation & Vision

Answer **any one** (1 out of 3) of the following questions. Answers should be brief and to the point. (5 x 1 = 5 Points)

1. Name the teacher who was a leader of Malankara church reformation. **(1pt)**
List four practices that were rejected by the church as a result of reformation. **(1 pt each)**
(MTFV L3, P139)
Abraham Malpan was a leader of the Malankara church reformation. The following were rejected by the church as a result of reformation:
 - **Mediation through saints**
 - **Adoration and prayers to Virgin Mary**
 - **Prayer and Mass for the dead**
 - **Auricular Confession or Confession to the priest**
 - **Seeking forgiveness through offering oil, incense, candles, and bodily penance**

2. What are the 5 characteristics common to all Churches? Explain each in a sentence. **(1 pt each)** **(MTFV L1 P131-132)**
 - **The church is holy which means that people are set apart for the rule of God.**
 - **The church is catholic: The word catholic means universal or comprehensive.**
 - **The church is Apostolic: The word apostolic means one who is sent with a mission.**

 - **The church is a worshipping community: This is the most visible characteristic of the Church.**
 - **The church is a pilgrim community: Through worship, the community is sustained, fed and strengthened for the journey.**

3. What is "Coonan Cross Oath"? Explain the circumstances behind this oath and why it is so important? **(MTFV L2 P135-136)**
 - **The "Coonan Cross Oath" was a pledge taken by a group of Christians in Kerala.**
 - **They declared, " We and our children shall never be under Rome".**
 - **In 1653, about 25,000 devoted Christians under the leadership of Archdeacon Thomas and 33 priests marched to the Cochin fort.**
 - **They were confronted by Portuguese soldiers.**
 - **They withdrew the church at Mattancherry, where there was a cross.**
 - **They tied ropes to the cross and touching the ropes they took the above pledge.**
 - **The cross was slightly leaning and so the oath is known as " Coonan Cross Oath".**