

## 2 Samuel Multiple Choice Test

**Instructions:** Choose the best answer for each question.

1. Who was the father of David?

- a) Jesse
- b) Saul
- c) Jonathan
- d) Samuel

2. Where was David when he received the news of Saul's death?

- a) Hebron
- b) Jerusalem
- c) Ziklag
- d) Bethlehem

3. Who was the captain of Saul's army who was killed in battle?

- a) Abner
- b) Joab
- c) Jonathan
- d) Ish-Bosheth

4. How old was David when he began to reign over Israel?

- a) 25
- b) 30
- c) 35
- d) 40

5. Over which city did David first reign as king of Judah?

- a) Jerusalem
- b) Hebron
- c) Bethlehem
- d) Ziklag

6. Who was the son of Saul who was made king over the tribes of Israel after Saul's death?

- a) Jonathan
- b) Abner
- c) Ish-Bosheth
- d) Mephibosheth

7. Who was the commander of Ish-Bosheth's army?

- a) Joab
- b) Abner
- c) Asahel
- d) Zadok

8.How long did David reign over Judah?

- a) 2 years
- b) 5 years
- c) 7 years and 6 months
- d) 10 years

9.Where was the battle fought between the armies of David and Ish-Bosheth?

- a) Gibeon
- b) Hebron
- c) Jerusalem
- d) Ziklag

10.Who killed Abner?

- a) David
- b) Joab
- c) Asahel
- d) Ish-Bosheth

11.Who assassinated Ish-Bosheth?

- a) Joab
- b) Baanah and Rechab
- c) David
- d) Abner

12.What city did David capture and make his capital?

- a) Hebron
- b) Bethlehem
- c) Gath
- d) Jerusalem

13.Who was the king of Tyre who sent David cedar logs and workmen to build his palace?

- a) Hiram
- b) Achish
- c) Adonijah
- d) Solomon

14.How many sons did David have in Jerusalem?

- a) 6
- b) 10
- c) 15
- d) 20

15.What did David do that resulted in God's anger and the death of Uzzah?

- a) He failed to build a temple for God.
- b) He had an affair with Bathsheba.

- c) He ordered a census of the people.
- d) He moved the Ark of the Covenant improperly.

16. Who was the prophet who rebuked David for his sin with Bathsheba?

- a) Samuel
- b) Nathan
- c) Gad
- d) Elijah

17. Who was Bathsheba's husband?

- a) Uriah
- b) Joab
- c) Abner
- d) Ahithophel

18. What was the name of David and Bathsheba's first son who died?

- a) Solomon
- b) Amnon
- c) Absalom
- d) The first son is not named

19. Which of David's sons rebelled against him and attempted to seize the throne?

- a) Amnon
- b) Absalom
- c) Adonijah
- d) Solomon

20. Who was the commander of David's army during Absalom's rebellion?

- a) Abner
- b) Joab
- c) Ahithophel
- d) Amasa

21. Who was the wise counselor who deserted David and joined Absalom's rebellion?

- a) Nathan
- b) Gad
- c) Ahithophel
- d) Hushai

22. How did Absalom die?

- a) He was killed by Joab.
- b) He was struck by lightning.
- c) He was killed in a chariot accident.
- d) He died of a disease.

23. What was Absalom's physical characteristic that led to his death?

- a) His long hair

- b) His strong arms
- c) His swift feet
- d) His piercing eyes

24. Who killed Absalom?

- a) David
- b) Joab
- c) Abishai
- d) Amasa

25. How did David react to the news of Absalom's death?

- a) He rejoiced
- b) He mourned deeply
- c) He was indifferent
- d) He gave thanks to God

26. Who was the man who cursed David and threw stones at him during the rebellion?

- a) Shimei
- b) Sheba
- c) Adonijah
- d) Ziba

27. Who led a rebellion against David after Absalom's death?

- a) Sheba
- b) Adonijah
- c) Shimei
- d) Ziba

28. How many sons did David have with Maacah, the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur?

- a) 1
- b) 2
- c) 3
- d) 4

29. Who was David's son who attempted to usurp the throne toward the end of his life?

- a) Absalom
- b) Amnon
- c) Adonijah
- d) Solomon

30. Who was the prophet who advised David concerning Solomon's succession?

- a) Nathan
- b) Gad
- c) Samuel
- d) Elijah

31. Who was the commander of the army at the end of David's reign?

- a) Joab
- b) Benaiah
- c) Abishai
- d) Amasa

32. What was Adonijah's first act after the death of Absalom?

- a) Built an altar to Baal
- b) Declared himself king
- c) Began to gather an army
- d) Fled the city

33. Who was the priest who supported Adonijah?

- a) Zadok
- b) Abiathar
- c) Nathan
- d) Benaiah

34. Who proclaimed Solomon king?

- a) Joab
- b) Abiathar
- c) Zadok and Nathan
- d) Benaiah and David

35. What request did Adonijah make of Bathsheba that ultimately led to his death?

- a) He asked for the throne.
- b) He asked for Abishag as a wife.
- c) He asked for a share of the kingdom.
- d) He asked to rebuild the temple.

36. What was David's instruction to Solomon regarding Joab?

- a) To spare his life
- b) To treat him kindly
- c) To kill him for his past deeds
- d) To make him his chief advisor

37. What was David's instruction to Solomon regarding Shimei?

- a) To spare his life
- b) To not punish him
- c) To kill him
- d) To keep him imprisoned

38. Who replaced Joab as the commander of the army?

- a) Benaiah
- b) Amasa

- c) Abishai
- d) Adonijah

39. Who succeeded David as king of Israel?

- a) Absalom
- b) Adonijah
- c) Solomon
- d) Amnon

40. Who did Solomon put to death after becoming king?

- a) Joab, Adonijah, and Shimei
- b) Joab and Shimei
- c) Adonijah and Joab
- d) Shimei and Adonijah

41. Where was David buried?

- a) Jerusalem
- b) Bethlehem
- c) Hebron
- d) Ziklag

42. What kind of covenant did God make with David in 2 Samuel 7?

- a) A covenant of land
- b) A covenant of peace
- c) A covenant of descendants
- d) A covenant of temple building

43. What does the covenant with David promise?

- a) That David's descendants will be kings.
- b) That God will build David a house.
- c) That David's kingdom will be eternal.
- d) All of the above

44. In 2 Samuel 21, what did David do to end a famine?

- a) Built an altar to God
- b) Offered sacrifices
- c) Handed over seven of Saul's descendants to be killed
- d) Ordered the people to fast

45. What did David do when he spared Saul's life in the cave at Engedi?

- a) Cut off a corner of Saul's robe.
- b) Took Saul's spear.
- c) Rebuke Saul
- d) All of the above

46. In 2 Samuel 23, David gives his final words to his men. What do these words describe?

- a) The future of Israel

- b) David's military conquests
- c) The qualities and deeds of David's mighty men
- d) David's regrets

47. What is the subject of the song that David sings after the Lord delivered him from all of his enemies?

- a) His love for Bathsheba
- b) His praise and thanks to God
- c) His regret for his sins
- d) His longing for Jerusalem

48. What is David's response when God says he can't build the temple?

- a) He asks for the throne to be passed to his eldest son
- b) He asks to be spared
- c) He accepts God's word and offers to provide materials for the temple
- d) He is angry

49. Who are the 2 main people featured in the story of David and Jonathan?

- a) Samuel and Saul
- b) Joab and Absalom
- c) David and Jonathan
- d) Jonathan and Saul

50. What did David do when he was on the run and the priest gave him some bread?

- a) David gave it to his followers
- b) David and his followers ate the bread, as they were hungry
- c) David gave the bread to a poor man
- d) David sent the bread to the king

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### Answer Key

- 1.a) Jesse
- 2.c) Ziklag
- 3.a) Abner
- 4.b) 30
- 5.b) Hebron
- 6.c) Ish-Bosheth
- 7.b) Abner
- 8.c) 7 years and 6 months
- 9.a) Gibeon
- 10.b) Joab
- 11.b) Baanah and Rechab
- 12.d) Jerusalem
- 13.a) Hiram

- 14.c) 15
- 15.d) He moved the Ark of the Covenant improperly.
- 16.b) Nathan
- 17.a) Uriah
- 18.d) The first son is not named
- 19.b) Absalom
- 20.b) Joab
- 21.c) Ahithophel
- 22.a) He was killed by Joab
- 23.a) His long hair
- 24.b) Joab
- 25.b) He mourned deeply
- 26.a) Shimei
- 27.a) Sheba
- 28.a) 1
- 29.c) Adonijah
- 30.a) Nathan
- 31.a) Joab
- 32.b) Declared himself king
- 33.b) Abiathar
- 34.c) Zadok and Nathan
- 35.b) He asked for Abishag as a wife.
- 36.c) To kill him for his past deeds
- 37.c) To kill him
- 38.a) Benaiah
- 39.c) Solomon
- 40.a) Joab, Adonijah, and Shimei
- 41.a) Jerusalem
- 42.c) A covenant of descendants
- 43.d) All of the above
- 44.c) Handed over seven of Saul's descendants to be killed
- 45.d) All of the above
- 46.c) The qualities and deeds of David's mighty men
- 47.b) His praise and thanks to God
- 48.c) He accepts God's word and offers to provide materials for the temple
- 49.c) David and Jonathan
- 50.b) David and his followers ate the bread, as they were hungry