

1 Samuel Multiple-Choice Test

1. Who was the mother of Samuel?

- a) Hannah
- b) Peninnah
- c) Abigail
- d) Michal

2. What did God tell Samuel to do when he was called as a boy?

- a) Leave Eli
- b) Anoint a king
- c) Speak to the Israelites
- d) Listen

3. Which city did the Philistines capture and take the Ark of the Covenant?

- a) Shiloh
- b) Jerusalem
- c) Ashdod
- d) Gath

4. Who fell off his chair and died after hearing news of the Ark's capture?

- a) Samuel
- b) Eli
- c) Saul
- d) Ahimelech

5. What was the sign of God confirming Samuel's prophecy about Saul?

- a) A storm
- b) A thunderstorm
- c) Fire from heaven
- d) A rain of frogs

6. Who anointed Saul as the first king of Israel?

- a) Samuel
- b) Eli
- c) Nathan
- d) Goliath

7. What type of tree did Samuel take to signify the king's anointing?

- a) Olive
- b) Cedar
- c) Pine
- d) Joshua

8. In what battle did the Israelites initially lose the Ark?

- a) Against the Moabites
- b) Against the Ammonites

- c) Against the Philistines
- d) Against the Canaanites

9. What did Saul offer before the battle that angered Samuel?

- a) Sacrifices
- b) Gifts
- c) Gold
- d) Cattle

10. How did Saul's reign end according to 1 Samuel?

- a) Natural causes
- b) Murder
- c) Suicide
- d) Assassination

11. What was Saul instructed to destroy in his battle against the Amalekites?

- a) Their cities
- b) Their livestock
- c) Their idols
- d) Everything

12. Who was the giant that David fought and killed?

- a) Abimelech
- b) Goliath
- c) Saul
- d) Nahash

13. What instrument did David play to soothe Saul?

- a) Flute
- b) Harp
- c) Lyre
- d) Drum

14. Who became jealous of David after he killed Goliath?

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

15. What was Jonathan's relationship to Saul?

- a) Uncle
- b) Cousin
- c) Son
- d) Brother

16. Who helped David escape from Saul by letting him down through a window?

- a) Abigail

- b) Michal
- c) Naomi
- d) Ruth

17. To which city did David escape to avoid Saul's wrath?

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

18. How many times did David have the opportunity to kill Saul but chose not to?

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

19. What did David take from Saul's camp as evidence of his mercy?

- a) A spear
- b) A helmet
- c) A robe
- d) His sandals

20. How did Saul die?

- a) In battle
- b) In a cave
- c) From his wounds
- d) By starvation

21. What does the name "Ichabod" mean?

- a) The glory of the Lord has departed
- b) A man of renown
- c) Strong in battle
- d) Beloved of God

22. Who ultimately became king after Saul?

- a) David
- b) Jonathan
- c) Abner
- d) Ishbosheth

23. What was the relationship between David and Saul's son, Jonathan?

- a) Enemies
- b) Allies
- c) Friends
- d) Brothers

24. Who were the Philistines?

- a) The enemies of the Israelites
- b) A group of tribes
- c) Worshipers of Baal
- d) All of the above

25. How did David demonstrate his leadership when he became king?

- a) By building a palace
- b) By uniting the tribes
- c) By defeating the Philistines
- d) By collecting taxes

26. What is known about David's early life?

- a) He was a shepherd
- b) He was a soldier
- c) He was a farmer
- d) All of the above

27. How did Saul first react to David's success?

- a) He celebrated
- b) He promoted him
- c) He became jealous
- d) He ignored him

28. Who betrayed David and joined Saul?

- a) Ahimelech
- b) Absalom
- c) Ahithophel
- d) Abner

29. What was God's response when the Israelites asked for a king?

- a) He supported them
- b) He was angry
- c) He did not answer
- d) He punished them

30. Where did Samuel go to anoint David?

- a) Nineveh
- b) Bethlehem
- c) Jerusalem
- d) Gilead

31. What did the elders of Israel ask Samuel for?

- a) A miracle
- b) A king

- c) A prophet
- d) An army

32. How did Samuel feel about the people's request for a king?

- a) Happy
- b) Angry
- c) Indifferent
- d) Confused

33. Which tribe was David from?

- a) Levi
- b) Judah
- c) Benjamin
- d) Ephraim

34. What did Saul do when he was overtaken by evil spirits?

- a) He prayed
- b) He consulted a medium
- c) He played music
- d) He ran away

35. Who was the medium that Saul consulted?

- a) The Witch of Endor
- b) The Priest of Nob
- c) Abner
- d) David's Wife

36. What was King Saul's final command to his armor-bearer?

- a) To kill him
- b) To escape
- c) To run away
- d) To find David

37. What did David do when he first heard of Saul's death?

- a) Wept
- b) Celebrated
- c) Ran for protection
- d) Killed the messenger

38. What did David do to the Amalekite who claimed to have killed Saul?

- a) Rewarded him
- b) Killed him
- c) Forgave him
- d) Made him a soldier

39. How did David respond to the death of Jonathan?

- a) He mourned deeply

- b) He rejoiced
- c) He wrote a song
- d) Both a and c

40. What was one of the consequences of David's friendship with Jonathan?

- a) A military alliance
- b) Support against Saul
- c) A covenant of loyalty
- d) Political power

41. What did David bring back to Jerusalem after conquering the Philistines?

- a) The Ark of the Covenant
- b) Treasures
- c) New soldiers
- d) Royal titles

42. Who were the two sons of Eli?

- a) Saul and Jonathon
- b) Phinehas and Hophni
- c) Eli and Samuel
- d) David and Solomon

43. What was the state of Israel's morale before David faced Goliath?

- a) High
- b) Conflicted
- c) Terrified
- d) Celebratory

44. How did Saul try to prepare David for battle with Goliath?

- a) With armor
- b) With prayers
- c) With weapons
- d) With advice

45. What weapon did David use to defeat Goliath?

- a) A sword
- b) A spear
- c) A slingshot
- d) A bow

46. After defeating Goliath, what did the women sing about David?

- a) He has slain thousands
- b) He is the king
- c) He is strong
- d) He is wise

47.How did David become known to Saul before he was anointed king?

- a) Through his father's wealth
- b) Through his bravery in battle
- c) Through his skill in music
- d) Through prophecies

48.Which animal did David protect his father's flock from?

- a) Wolves
- b) Bear and lion
- c) Cheetahs
- d) Eagles

49.How did David respond when Saul offered him his daughter in marriage?

- a) He accepted without hesitation
- b) He declined humbly
- c) He was excited
- d) He asked for a dowry

50.What parable did God send to Nathan to convey to David after his sin?

- a) The parable of the good Samaritan
- b) The parable of the lost sheep
- c) The parable of the rich man and the poor man's lamb
- d) The parable of the mustard seed

Answer Key

- 1.a) Hannah
- 2.d) Listen
- 3.c) Ashdod
- 4.b) Eli
- 5.b) A thunderstorm
- 6.a) Samuel
- 7.a) Olive
- 8.c) Against the Philistines
- 9.a) Sacrifices
- 10.c) Suicide
- 11.d) Everything
- 12.b) Goliath
- 13.b) Harp
- 14.c) Saul
- 15.c) Son
- 16.b) Michal
- 17.b) Gath
- 18.b) 2
- 19.a) A spear

- 20.a) In battle
- 21.a) The glory of the Lord has departed
- 22.a) David
- 23.c) Friends
- 24.d) All of the above
- 25.b) By uniting the tribes
- 26.a) He was a shepherd
- 27.c) He became jealous
- 28.d) Abner
- 29.b) He was angry
- 30.b) Bethlehem
- 31.b) A king
- 32.b) Angry
- 33.b) Judah
- 34.c) He played music
- 35.a) The Witch of Endor
- 36.a) To kill him
- 37.a) Wept
- 38.b) Killed him
- 39.d) Both a and c
- 40.c) A covenant of loyalty
- 41.a) The Ark of the Covenant
- 42.b) Phinehas and Hophni
- 43.c) Terrified
- 44.a) With armor
- 45.c) A slingshot
- 46.a) He has slain thousands
- 47.c) Through his skill in music
- 48.b) Bear and lion
- 49.b) He declined humbly
- 50.c) The parable of the rich man and the poor man's lamb