

Read the following passage carefully.

Long ago, in the highest realms of Heaven, there lived an angel of great beauty and power—Lucifer, the brightest among all. He was created with wisdom and strength, second only to God Himself. But pride grew within him, and he began to believe that he deserved a throne equal to that of the Almighty. He gathered an army of angels who shared his ambition and led a rebellion against God, hoping to seize control of Heaven.

However, his defiance was met with swift justice. A great battle shook the heavens, and the loyal angels, led by the Archangel Michael, fought fiercely against Lucifer and his followers. But they were no match for the power of God. With a mighty command, He cast them out of Heaven, sending them plummeting down into the depths of Hell. Lucifer, now stripped of his divine grace, rose from the fiery abyss as Satan, the ruler of the underworld. Though defeated, he refused to accept his fate. Standing on the burning plains of Pandemonium, he declared that he would rather rule in Hell than serve in Heaven.

Yet, revenge burned within him. He knew he could not overthrow God, but he could ruin His most precious creation—humankind. Above, the Earth had been newly formed, a land of beauty and innocence. At its heart lay the Garden of Eden, a paradise untouched by sin. There, Adam and Eve lived in peace, free from sorrow, unaware of the dangers beyond their perfect world. They had only one command to obey: they must not eat from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. If they did, they would face death.

Satan saw his chance. Taking the form of a serpent, he crept into the garden, seeking out Eve. With cunning words, he planted doubt in her heart. He told her that the fruit was not a curse but a key to wisdom, that eating it would make her like God Himself. At first, Eve hesitated, but the temptation grew too strong. Reaching out, she plucked the fruit and took a bite. In that moment, something changed within her—she saw the world differently, with both knowledge and fear. She then offered the fruit to Adam, who, though troubled, could not bear to leave her alone in her fate. He ate it as well, sealing their destiny.

At once, paradise was lost. The once-peaceful garden now felt strange and heavy. A deep sense of unease filled their hearts as they realized they had disobeyed the one command given to them. No longer did they feel the same joy and innocence that had once surrounded them. Fear gripped them when they heard God's voice calling out, "Where art thou, Adam?" Though they tried to hide, they could not escape the judgment that was to come.

God, in sorrow and justice, passed His sentence. The earth, once a place of ease, would now bring hardship. Eve would suffer in childbirth, and Adam would toil for his food. Death would come to them and their children. They could no longer remain in Eden, for its purity could not bear the weight of their sin.

At the gates of paradise, they turned for one last look at the home they had lost. But as they stepped into the unknown world, they were not left without hope. God, in His mercy, promised that one day, a Redeemer would come—a savior who would restore what had been lost.

And so, with heavy hearts, Adam and Eve walked forward, leaving Eden behind. Though they had fallen, the journey of humankind had begun—a path of suffering and struggle, yet one that carried the hope of redemption and the distant dream of paradise regained.

On the basis of your understanding answer the following questions:

1. What was the primary reason for Lucifer's rebellion against God?

- A) He wanted to create his own universe
- B) He believed he was equal to God and deserved a similar position
- C) He was forced into rebellion by other angels
- D) He was unaware of God's authority

2. How did God respond to Lucifer's attempt to seize control of Heaven?

- A) He allowed him to rule part of Heaven
- B) He banished him to a lower level of Heaven
- C) He cast him and his followers into a realm of torment
- D) He forgave him and gave him another chance

3. What does Lucifer's transformation into Satan symbolize in the passage?

- A) The consequences of excessive pride and ambition
- B) The idea that evil can never be defeated
- C) The power of free will in shaping destiny
- D) The triumph of rebellion over authority

4. Why did Satan target humans instead of trying to reclaim Heaven?

- A) He wanted to prove that humans were unworthy of God's love

- B) He believed corrupting God's creation would be the best revenge
- C) He was too weak to return to Heaven
- D) He was jealous of Adam and Eve's happiness

5. What does the Garden of Eden represent in the passage?

- A) A temporary sanctuary for humans
- B) A place where all beings are equal
- C) A realm untouched by corruption and sin
- D) A test of strength and survival

6. How did Satan manipulate Eve into eating the forbidden fruit?

- A) By convincing her that it would bring her eternal life
- B) By threatening her with destruction if she refused
- C) By persuading her that it would grant her divine knowledge
- D) By telling her that Adam had already eaten it

7. Why did Adam eat the forbidden fruit despite knowing the consequences?

- A) He did not believe the warning given by God
- B) He was curious about its effects
- C) He did not want to leave Eve to suffer alone
- D) He was forced by the serpent

8. What was the immediate effect of Adam and Eve eating the fruit?

- A) They became rulers of the garden
- B) They gained a deeper understanding of good and evil
- C) They were rewarded with greater strength
- D) They were turned into mortal beings instantly

9. What was God's reaction upon discovering Adam and Eve's disobedience?

- A) He immediately destroyed the garden
- B) He warned them but allowed them to stay
- C) He punished them by making life difficult for them
- D) He forgave them without any consequences

10. What does the loss of paradise symbolize in the passage?

- A) The inevitable suffering of all living beings
- B) The transition from innocence to experience

- C) The impossibility of redemption
- D) The eternal battle between good and evil

11. What was one of the punishments given to Adam and Eve?

- A) They were sent to a distant land full of dangers
- B) They were made to forget everything about Eden
- C) They were condemned to experience hardship and suffering
- D) They were transformed into lesser beings

12. How does God's promise of a Redeemer affect the ending of the passage?

- A) It provides hope for future salvation
- B) It suggests that Adam and Eve might return to Eden
- C) It implies that humans will be punished forever
- D) It means that paradise will be rebuilt elsewhere

13. What does Adam and Eve's departure from Eden represent?

- A) The beginning of human suffering with no end
- B) A journey of hardship but with a possibility of redemption
- C) The loss of all divine connection
- D) The need to find a new paradise on Earth

14. How does the passage present the theme of free will?

- A) By showing that humans can change their fate through effort
- B) By emphasizing that choices always lead to consequences
- C) By suggesting that destiny is unchangeable
- D) By implying that disobedience is always punished immediately

15. What lesson can be drawn from the story of Adam and Eve's fall?

- A) That curiosity leads to disaster
- B) That disobedience results in permanent separation from God
- C) That mistakes can lead to both consequences and opportunities for redemption
- D) That knowledge is dangerous and should be avoided

16. What is the meaning of the word "defiance" as used in the passage?

- A) Complete obedience
- B) Bold resistance
- C) Silent acceptance
- D) Careless mistake

*17. In the passage, the word "plummeting" refers to which of the following?*

- A) Rising slowly*
- B) Falling rapidly*
- C) Walking steadily*
- D) Disappearing suddenly*

*18. The word "realm" in the passage most likely means:*

- A) A small village*
- B) A kingdom or domain*
- C) A hidden treasure*
- D) A book of knowledge*

*19. What is the best synonym for "redeemer" in the context of the passage?*

- A) Savior*
- B) Messenger*
- C) King*
- D) Warrior*

*20. In the passage, what does the word "torment" mean?*

- A) A place of peace*
- B) Intense suffering*
- C) A moment of hesitation*
- D) A joyful experience*