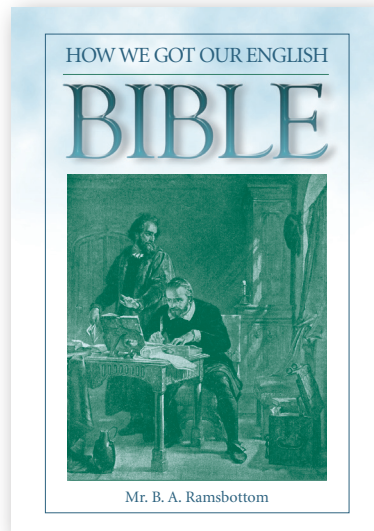


HOW WE GOT OUR ENGLISH BIBLE



Trinitarian Bible Society

2020 QUIZ

Senior Section

Suggested age range 12–16 years; parents and teachers, please feel free to assign whichever version of the quiz you think most appropriate for your child.

Based on the TBS article 'How we got our English Bible' by Mr B.A. Ramsbottom (Article A119): www.tbsbibles.org/How-We-Got-Our-English-Bible.pdf

To enable you to answer these questions you will need to do some independent research. You can write your answers in sentences or simply with one word if applicable. You will receive a prize if you return your quiz to your local TBS office for marking before 31 December 2020 and get the answers right. Please see the end of the quiz for more information.

1. What were the Bibles in England like around a thousand years ago? There are four answers you need to complete regarding these Bibles.
 - a) What were they called? _____
 - b) How were they written? _____
 - c) What was the name of the place where these Bibles were copied? _____
 - d) What language were they written in? _____

2. The Bible was not available in the English language at this time, so there were very few people who could read it. As a result of this ignorance, the population lived in wickedness, and had strange superstitions. Can you explain one or two of these mysterious things that they believed?

3. **John Wycliffe** was born around 1330 and he was a very godly man. He desired that there should be an English translation of the Bible.

William Tyndale was born in 1494 and he too was a godly man with the same desire as John Wycliffe. What was great difference between the two men's translations of the Bible?

4. What was the punishment for anyone who read or sold a Bible in English at that time?

5. Can you list four qualifications that Tyndale was given by God to do this great work of translation?

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____

6. Use the list of words to fill in the spaces in the paragraph below:

ATTIC BURNT TRANSLATION COLD NIGHT PRISON
STRANGLED CAUGHT

*Tyndale worked away on the _____ of the Bible in a damp,
_____ cellar from morning to _____ and sometimes in a dusty
_____. He was at last _____ and taken to _____.
He was _____ and then _____.*

7. What wonderful invention was being used with Bible production in Germany in 1456?

8. Which King was on the throne in England during the first half of the sixteenth century?

9. There were several different Bibles appearing at this time. Can you explain THREE of the different sources for the COVERDALE BIBLE?

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

10. Apart from the Coverdale Bible, there were other Bibles circulating.
Can you name three of them?

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

11. Why were the copies of The Great Bible, which the King placed in all the churches in England, chained to the pulpit?

12. In 1603 King James 1 of England came to the throne and called a meeting of ministers in 1604.

a) Where did they meet?

b) What great decision did they take concerning the Bible?

c) How many Hebrew and Greek scholars were chosen to do this translation? _____

d) What year did this Bible appear? _____

e) In Great Britain, what do we call this version of the Bible?

13. What were these scholars completely committed to in their translation work?

14. Up until recent times, this faithful version was known as THE BIBLE. Other new versions of the Bible are being published now but there are TWO major faults with these. What are they?

a) _____

b) _____

15. Can you copy out below the words of John 5 verse 39?

The Bible is God's holy, infallible Word. When we prayerfully read it for ourselves may we be able to pray as the Psalmist did in Psalm 119 verse 18.

**'Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold
wondrous things out of thy law.'**

Please send your completed sheets to the Trinitarian Bible Society at your closest branch (see www.tbsbibles.org/page/Offices or the inside back page of the Quarterly Record for addresses).

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Or, please send a Romanian New Testament and Psalms to a child in Romania:

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