

The Real Story of Mary Jones and her Bible



TRINITARIAN BIBLE SOCIETY

2023 QUIZ

Junior Section

Suggested age range 7-11 years; parents and teachers, please feel free to assign whichever version of the quiz you think most appropriate for your children.

You will receive a prize if you return your quiz to your local TBS office for marking before 30 December 2023 and get the answers right. Please see the end of the quiz for more information.

This quiz is based on the TBS article 'The Real Story of Mary Jones and her Bible' by Mr G. Chewter. This can be found in the *Quarterly Record* Magazine no. 642 (www.tbsbibles.org/QR642)

1. In which year was Mary Jones born? *Please circle the correct answer.*

1864

1764

1784

1846

2. Where did Mary Jones live? Fill in the missing place names below and then follow the instructions at the side of the map.

She was born in the north west corner of in the village of

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in the county of M When Mary was a little older, both she and her mother attended a chapel in Cwrt, near Abergynolwyn.



- a. Label the country of Wales and colour it in blue.
- b. Label the mountain near the place where Mary was born. This is the triangle on the map.
- c. Label Bala and the lake near it, this is marked by the star on the map.

3. Describe four ways in which Mary's parents found it a struggle to survive?

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and then her father died when she was 4 years old.

4. Can you describe the cottage called Tyn-y-Ddol that Mary moved to soon after she was born?

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5. Mary's mother, Molly, was a member of the nearest Calvinist Methodist Chapel at Cwrt near Abergynolwyn. Select the correct number to fill in the answers below.

1783 6 1796 2 2000 3000 8 4

- a) How many miles did Mary and her mother have to walk to chapel? _____
- b) How old was Mary when the Lord touched her heart? _____
- c) When did the Reverend Thomas Charles begin his ministry in Bala? _____
- d) How many people would sometimes come to hear Thomas Charles preach? _____

6. Thomas Charles was a man of much wisdom, energy and ability to organise. Just before Mary's tenth birthday, a 'circulating school' was set up by the Rev. Charles in Abergynolwyn and she made excellent progress learning to read from the Welsh Bible. Her ability to read deepened her interest and love for the Word of God. Colour in Mary's great desire below.

If only I had a
Bible of my own!

7. What was the name of the kind farmer's wife who invited Mary to come to her home to read the family Bible? Please circle the correct answer.

Mrs Lloyd

Mrs Smith

Mrs Evans

8. Mary decided to work hard and save up to purchase her very own Bible. What three tasks did she regularly undertake to earn extra money?

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b)

c)

9. How much money did she need to buy a Bible?

a) (in shillings and pence)

b) (in today's money)

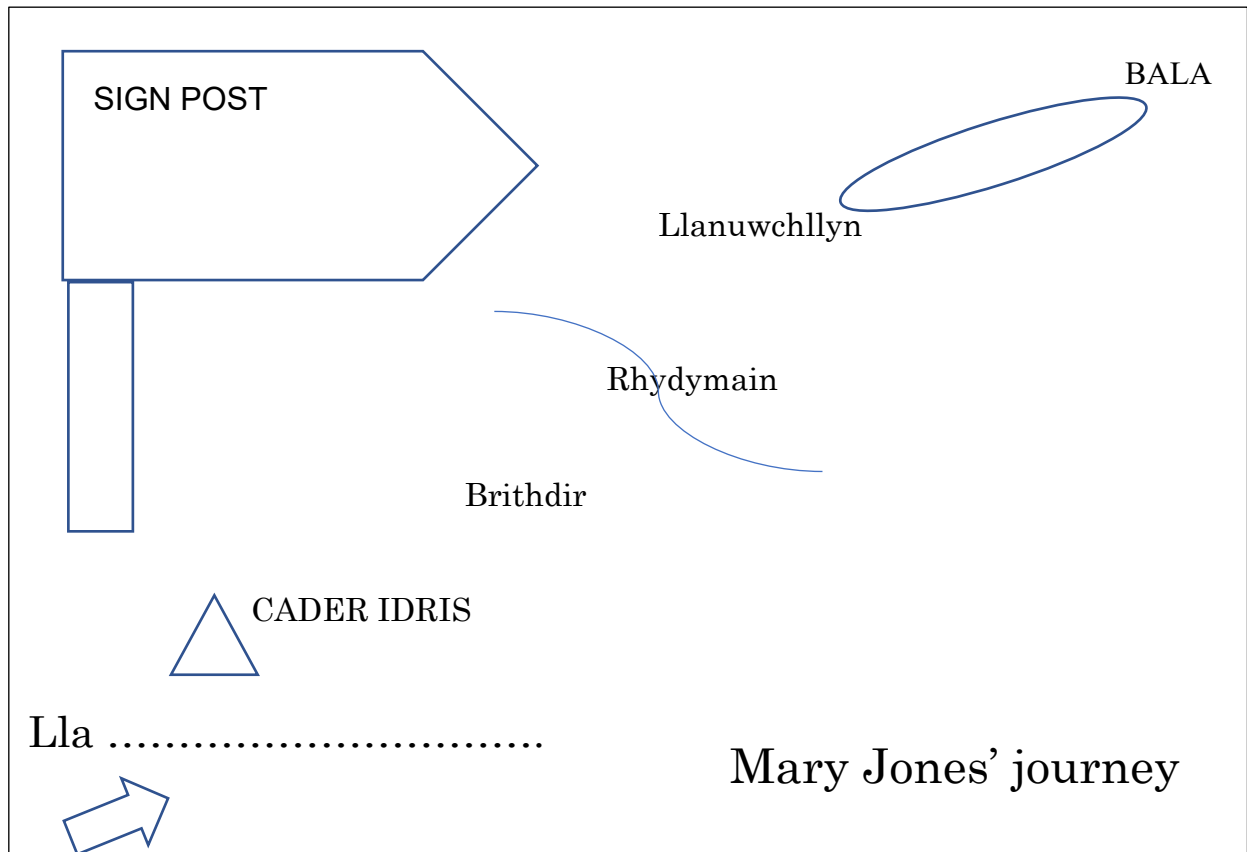
10. When Mary was making her way to the farmhouse one stormy day, a gentleman on a horse asked where she was going. She told him that she was going to read the Bible at the farmhouse as she did not possess one herself. Who was the man on the horse?

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11. The man told her that if she came at a certain time, he was expecting some Bibles from London and that she could purchase one. Where did this gentleman live? *Unjumble the letters to find out.*

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12. It was now 1800 and Mary was nearly 16 years old, and it was time to set out on her 26 mile journey to buy her Bible. It had taken her six long years to save up enough money.



- Mark on Mary's starting point in her own village of Llanfihangel and plot her journey in red dots to Bala, which is a diagonal line across the map, passing by Brithdir, Rhydymain, Llanuwchllyn and the right-hand side of the lake.
- Colour in Lake Bala in blue
- Colour the triangle indicating the location of Cader Idris in green
- In her own account of her journey, she writes that she rested by a stream of clear water to eat her bread and cheese. Draw the food she ate at the place where her path crossed a stream near Rhydymain.
- Fill in the signpost to indicate the length of her journey for your map.

13. When Mary arrived at the Reverend Charles’ house she was told that the Bibles had not yet arrived and she started to cry, but was given a place to stay while she awaited her precious parcel. The Rev. Charles gave her three Bibles for her money. He realised that there was a great need to publish more Bibles in the Welsh language and after much discussion, a new organisation was formed in 1804, to be known as

The B_____ and F_____

B_____ S_____

14. Mary was married to Thomas Jones at St. Mary’s Church, Talyllyn. They were blessed with six children, although sadly only one lived to adulthood. Can you write their names below? Mary’s husband, Thomas died also.

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15. In her latter years, Mary lived in Bryncrug but gradually went blind. She was unable to read her Bible but God provided her with a girl to come and read the Bible to her. Reveal her name in the puzzle by colouring in the letters P, Y, K and B.



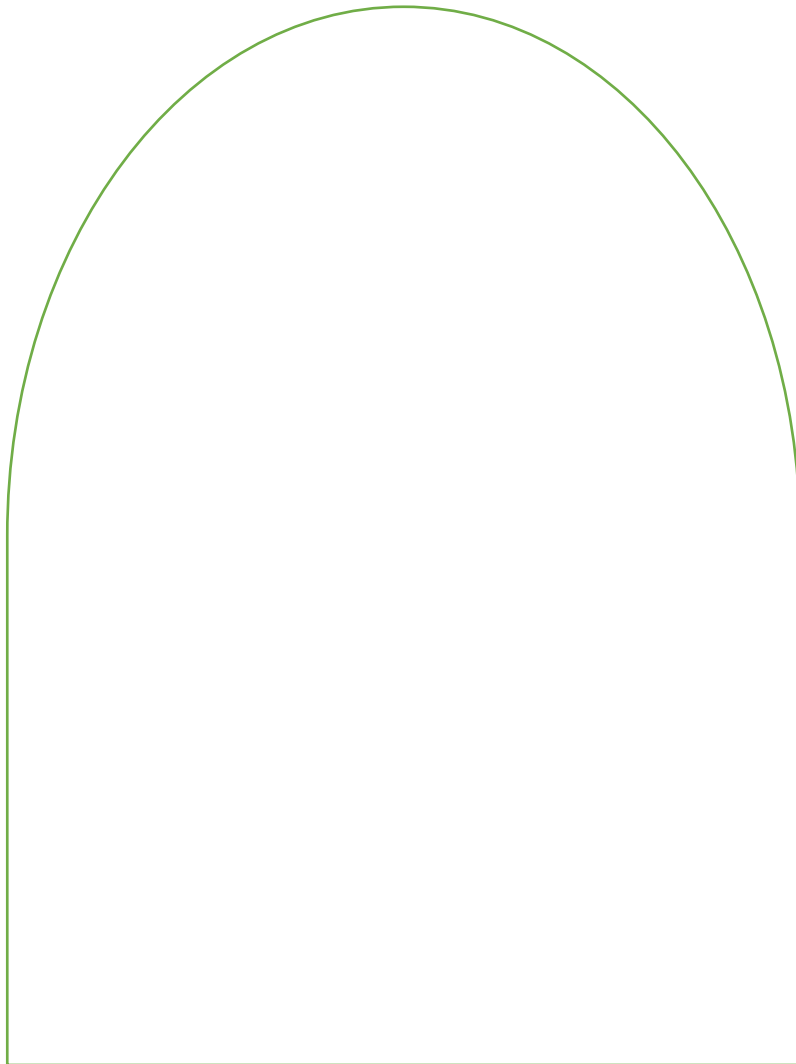
16. Can you describe what clothing Mary would have worn when she was nearly 80 years old at home and also when she went to chapel?

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17. Mary died on 29 December 1864 and was buried with her husband at the rear of Bethlehem Chapel, Brynecrug. Can you write the words you will find on the headstone below in English?



18. After the death of Rev. Thomas Charles in 1814, some changes took place in the British and Foreign Bible Society. Some people did not believe in the doctrine of the Trinity—the important Biblical doctrine that there is one God, but three equal Persons in the Godhead, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. A special meeting was held in 1831 and a decision was made to begin a new organisation. What is the name of this organisation?

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19. Using the words below, please complete the word-search about Mary Jones, some of the characters in her life and her journey to buy a Bible of her own.

JOURNEY

WALES

MONEY

MRS EVANS

THOMAS CHARLES

TRINITARIAN

LIZZIE

MARY

SCHOOL

THOMAS

MOLLY

SPINNING

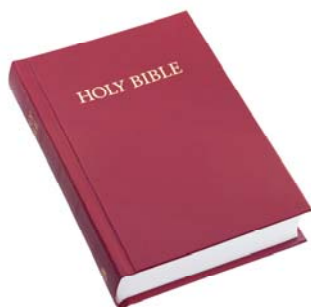
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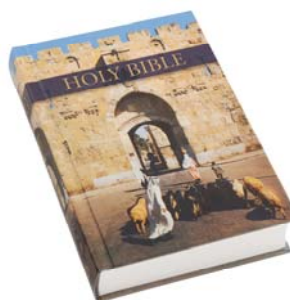
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