



# THE BRIGADES' BIG QUIZ 2023

**BB Juniors / GB n:gage**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – 7pm (for 7:15 start) – 8:30pm at Kempston East Methodist Church (New School Hall)

Teams of 3 (you can enter as many teams as you like)

Please confirm the number of teams you are entering by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March to [philiptimmskempston@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:philiptimmskempston@yahoo.co.uk) or via Facebook Messenger, WhatsApp, Text 07732771690.

## Rules

There will be 2 points available per question – 2 points for a perfect answer, 1 point can be awarded if its close (for example just a surname rather than a full name etc)

There are also some opportunities to pick up bonus points.

Question rounds will be read, picture rounds will be given out and collected back in.

## Rounds

### **8 Question rounds (6 questions per round)**

1. General Knowledge
2. Nursery Rhymes, Fairy Tales, Films & Cartoons
3. Numbers
4. Animals & Nature
5. Boys' Brigade (Girls' Brigade for GB companies who join us)
6. Bible Round – Joseph and his coat of many colours  
(see summarised version below)
7. Geography
8. Sports & Games

### **Picture Rounds**

- a. Bible Pictures (the Parables)  
(Given out at the beginning, collected after round 2)
- b. Dingbats  
(Given out after round 2, collected after round 4)
- c. Logos  
(Given out after round 4, collected after round 6)
- d. Sporting Venues  
(Given out after round 6, collected after round 8)

**If you have the BIG QUIZ trophy, please remember to return it so we can present it to this year's winner**

## Joseph's Dreams (A summarised version)

A 17-year-old called Joseph took care of the sheep and goats with his 11 brothers. Joseph was the favourite of Jacob's sons, and he would often bring bad reports to his father about what his brothers were doing.

Jacob loved Joseph more than all his other sons, because he had been born to him when he was old. Jacob made a long robe and gave it to Joseph. When Joseph's brothers saw this, they hated him and they would not speak to him in a friendly manner.

Joseph was the type of lad who liked to dream, and he told his brothers about a couple of dreams he had "We were all in the field tying up sheaves of wheat, when my sheaf got up and stood straight and yours got up, formed a circle around mine and all bowed down to it", and in a second dream Joseph told them "I saw the sun, the moon and eleven stars bowing down to me". His brothers asked, "Do you think you are going to be King and rule over us?" They were not at all happy.

One day when the brothers were taking care of the flock they decided to plot against Joseph and to kill him, but Reuben (one of the brothers) persuaded them "let's not kill him, why don't we just throw him into this well in the wilderness". When Joseph came along, they ripped off his long robe and threw him in to the dry well. While they were eating, a group of Ishmaelites came who had come from Egypt, and after a quick conversation they decided that they would sell Joseph as a slave to him. The Ishmaelites took Joseph back to their homeland. Meanwhile the brothers covered Joseph's robe in the blood of a goat, and took it back to their father, so it looked like Joseph had been killed by wild animals. Jacob, Joseph's father was very upset.

After some time, the Ishmaelites decided that they would sell Joseph on. Potiphar who was one of the King's Officers and Captain of the Palace Guard had decided that he needed a personal servant, so he bought Joseph. Joseph worked very very hard, and Potiphar was very pleased with him. After a while he made him his personal head servant in charge of his house and everything he owned.

Joseph was a well-built good-looking chap and soon Potiphar's wife began to desire Joseph and she asked to go to bed with him, but Joseph being a loyal servant said no.

Potiphar's wife was not very pleased, so she made up a story and told Potiphar that he had tried to sleep with her. Potiphar was furious and he had Joseph put into prison where the King's prisoners were kept. But the Lord was with Joseph and blessed him, and before long Joseph was put in charge of the other prisoners as the head jailer felt he could be trusted.

Whilst he was in jail Joseph began listening to the inmates and interpreting their dreams. There was a wine steward who dreamed "there was a grapevine in front of me with three branches, as soon as the blossoms appeared and the grapes ripened, I squeezed them into a cup and gave them to the King – what does this mean?" Joseph answered, "in three days the King will release you and give you a pardon and you will go on to serve the King as you did before".

When the chief baker saw the interpretation of the wine steward's dream, he too wanted his dream explained. "I had a dream too; I was carrying three breadbaskets on my head. In the top basket there were all kinds of goods for the King, but the birds were eating them". Joseph answered, "This is what it means; three baskets and three days. In three days, the King will release you, and have your head cut off! Then he will hang your body on a pole and the birds will eat your flesh.

After Joseph had been in prison for about two years, the King had been having dreams and was struggling to sleep. One of his men told the King that Joseph the prisoner interprets dreams, so the King had him summoned, and he told him his dream.

"There were 7 cows fat and sleek that came out of the river and began to feed on the grass. Then seven other cows came up and they were thin and bony. They came and stood by the other cows on the riverbank and the thin cows ate up the fat cows", the King also explained his second dream; "Seven heads of grain sprouted full and ripe, then seven more heads sprouted thin and scorched by the desert winds, the thin heads of grain swallowed the full ones".

Joseph explained to the King what his dreams meant: "The dreams mean the same thing, you will have 7 years of plenty where there will be lots of food, but this will be followed by 7 years of famine. The years of famine will be so bad, that you will forget the years of plenty. You need to store the excess food from the years of plenty to help you get by in the years of famine".

The King was pleased, and he promoted Joseph to be head of his crops. The seven years of plenty came, and sure enough this was followed by a deep famine lasting another seven years, but Joseph had managed the crops wisely and the people of Egypt were well fed.

Meanwhile in Canaan, Joseph's 11 brothers and his father were struggling, the famine had left them with little or no food, and they could not feed their animals. They had heard that in Egypt there was plenty, so they decided to travel there and beg for food.

When they arrived in Egypt, they did not recognise Joseph, who by now was a wealthy ruler under the King, they bowed down to him and begged for food. Just like Joseph predicted, his 11 brothers had turned to him and were now bowing down. Joseph fed his brother, before explaining who he was. Jacob was most pleased to be reunited with his special son.