

# Answers

1. How many days after Good Friday is Pentecost celebrated?  
**50**
2. Which religion celebrates Pentecost?  
**Christian**
3. What two things did Jesus tell the disciples on the mountainside?  
**Any two of the following: Jesus told His disciples that they had the job of telling people all over the world that God loved them/it would be a hard job/He would send a gift to help them to do the job.**
4. What happened when the Holy Spirit arrived? Tick two answers.  
**There was a huge wind.**  
**Flames landed on the disciples' heads.**
5. What word has been used to describe how the disciples felt when the Holy Spirit arrived?  
**amazed**
6. What was the Holy Spirit?  
**a gift**
7. Put these statements in the right order by numbering them from 1 to 4. Number the first statement with the number 1.  
**3      The disciples started speaking in different languages.**  
**2      Flames landed on the heads of the disciples.**  
**1      Jesus was taken into Heaven.**  
**4      Peter told a crowd that they could receive the Holy Spirit by being baptised.**
8. What happened which meant the Christian Church had begun?  
**Three thousand people were baptised that day and the disciples started to travel the world, telling people about God's message of love.**

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1. How could someone work out when Pentecost would be celebrated each year?  
**Someone could work out when Pentecost would be celebrated each year, as it comes fifty days after Easter Sunday.**
2. What marks the beginning of the Christian Church?  
**Pentecost marks the beginning of the Christian Church.**
3. Why did Jesus encourage people to reflect on the way they lived?  
**Jesus encouraged people to reflect on the way they lived so they would enter the kingdom of Heaven when they died.**
4. Write two things that Jesus told the disciples about the job they were going to do.  
**Accept any two: they had an important job spreading God's message of love throughout the world/that they would need strength to do this difficult job/they would receive a gift to give them that strength to carry out the job.**
5. Choose another word that closely matches the meaning of 'bewildered' in the fourth paragraph.  
**Possible word choices: puzzled, perplexed, bemused, clueless, stumped, confused, unsure.**
6. Identify two unusual things that happened when the Holy Spirit arrived.  
**a) There was a mighty wind that filled the room/house.  
 b) The flames on the disciples' heads did not burn them.**
7. What could the disciples do after the Holy Spirit had arrived?  
**Talk in different languages.**
8. Who spoke to the crowd of travellers?  
**Peter**
9. Identify and explain one symbol of Pentecost.  
**Accept one:  
 Red is a symbol of the flames that appeared on the disciples' heads;  
 A dove represents the Holy Spirit because when Jesus was baptised, a dove appeared, bringing the Holy Spirit to Jesus.**
10. Write T for True or F for False beside the following statements. If a statement is false, rewrite it as a correct statement.  
**F      Jesus spoke to his disciples on a mountainside, fifty days after his resurrection.  
 T      Jesus told his disciples that they would need help to complete the job they were going to do.**

- F The disciples understood what the gift from God would be. They were excited.**
- T When the Holy Spirit arrived, the whole building was filled with a strong wind.**
- F The disciples could all speak in the same language after they were filled with the Holy Spirit.**

**Jesus spoke to his disciples on a mountainside, forty days after his resurrection.  
The disciples did not know what the gift from God would be. They were bewildered.  
The disciples all spoke different languages after they were filled with the Holy Spirit.**

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1. Explain two things Jesus did after his resurrection.

**Accept two:**

**After his resurrection, Jesus conversed with the disciples, taught people about God's message of love, encouraged people to reflect on their behaviour in order to enter the kingdom of Heaven.**

2. What were the disciples going to do after Jesus had left them?

**After Jesus had left them, the disciples would have had the important job of travelling around, spreading the word of God to everyone.**

3. Find and copy one word which means 'help'.

**assist**

4. Look at the paragraph beginning "The clouds descended ..."

What impression do you get about how the disciples were feeling?

**Answers will vary, but based on the disciples having unanswered questions and feeling bewildered.**

5. The disciples met to discuss their fears. Why do you think they had fears?

**Answers will vary, but should be based on: Jesus had left them/they didn't understand what he meant regarding the gift from God/they were afraid of the job they were expected to do.**

6. Tick the correct box for each statement in the table.

	True	False
Flames of fire settled on the top of each of the disciples' heads.	✓	
The disciples realised they could speak the same language.		✓
The gift of the Holy Spirit arrived quietly and calmly.		✓
The arrival of the Holy Spirit left the disciples shocked and amazed.	✓	
The people on the streets understood what the disciples were saying, even though they were from Galilee.	✓	

**The disciples realised they were all speaking different languages.**

**The gift of the Holy Spirit arrived with a violent wind which filled the building they were in.**

7. Why did Peter speak to the travellers in the streets?

**Peter spoke to the travellers in the streets to encourage them to repent their sins, ask for forgiveness and get baptised. He tried to tell them that they too could receive the Holy Spirit.**

8. Why would the arrival of the gift of the Holy Spirit help the disciples to do their job? Explain in detail.

**The arrival of the gift of the Holy Spirit helped the disciples to do their job because they needed to travel to other countries and spread the word of God. This would have been very difficult if they could not speak the language of the countries they went to. They needed to tell people in their own language.**

9. Why is Pentecost recognised as the time of birth of the Christian Church?

**Pentecost is recognised as the time of birth of the Christian Church because so many people were baptised that day and it was the day the disciples began spreading the word of God around the world.**

10. Write three things you have learned about Pentecost.

**Answers will vary.**