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## 3 - Point Questions

## THE GOLDEN TOUCH

King Midas rules the land of Greece and he is very rich. He has a lot of gold, but he's not very happy. He always wants more.
One day, while he is walking in the garden, he can hear someone call his name.


1. Who is Midas?
A) a young queen
B) a rich king
C) a happy king
D) a beautiful princess
E) a poor man
2. What does the King love the most?
A) silver
B) diamonds
C) gold
D) his garden
E) Greece

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The King goes to see who it can be. He's surprised to see Silenus, his old school teacher and friend of magician Dionysus.

3. The old man is $\qquad$
A) Midas' old teacher
B) Midas' old friend
C) Midas' student
D) Midas' grandfather
E) Midas' old uncle
4. Why is Silenus in the garden?
A) He wants to hide something
B) He can't find his way back home
C) He wants to steal something
D) He wants to talk to the king
E) He wants to walk in the garden
5. Look at Silenus! What is he wearing?
A) long trousers
B) blue shirt
D) sandals
E) red clothes
C) simple clothes

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6. Look at the picture! There are many $\qquad$ . roses in the garden.
A) pink
B) green
C) white
D) red
E) brown

Instead of sending Silenus away, King Midas invites him to stay at his palace. He gives him food and water and lets him stay at his palace for the next ten days. One day, after breakfast, King Midas decides to take Silenus back to Dionysus.

7. What does the King do with Silenus?
A) He sends him away
B) He invites him to his palace
C) He makes him his servant
D) He plays with him in the garden
E) He gives him lot of gold
8. Look at the picture! The King has a cup in $\qquad$ hand.
A) his
B) her
D) he's
E) their
C) its

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The magician is very pleased to see his friend alive! As a reward for his kindness, the magician decides to grant Midas a wish.

9. When Dionysus sees his friend safe, what does he do?
A) He punishes the King
B) He sends the King away
C) He offers to reward the King
D) He wishes the King good luck
E) He gives some gold to the King
10. The magician will grant Midas $\qquad$
A) one wish
B) two wishes
C) three wishes
D) four wishes
E) many wishes
11. Match the synonyms:

1. pleased
a. nice
2. kind
b. prize
3. reward
c. happy
A) $1 \mathrm{c} / 2 \mathrm{~b} / 3 \mathrm{a}$
B) $1 \mathrm{c} / 2 \mathrm{a} / 3 \mathrm{~b}$
C) $1 \mathrm{~b} / 2 \mathrm{a} / 3 \mathrm{c}$
D) $1 a / 2 c / 3 b$
E) $1 a / 2 b / 3 c$

But Midas knows there's only one thing he wants.


Dionysus doesn't seem very happy about it. Maybe Midas isn't very wise. Still, he keeps his promise.
12. What's the King's wish?
A) To be very wise
B) To have a lot of gold
C) To have a lot of power
D) To remain young forever
E) To be very beautiful

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13. How does Dionysus feel about the King's wish?
A) He's very happy
B) He's excited
D) He's amused
E) He's bored
C) He's surprised
14. Does Dionysus keep his promise?
A) No, he doesn't
B) Yes, he is
C) Yes, he doesn't
D) No, he isn't
E) Yes, he does

Midas thanks Dionysus and goes back to his royal palace. He is so excited! His first stop is his garden. He touches a rose and it turns into gold. After that, he touches an apple. It also turns into gold. He picks up some stones and they all change into gold. He can't stop smiling!

15. How does King Midas feel about his magic gift?
A) He's sad
B) He's very happy
C) He's angry
D) He's bored
E) He's unhappy

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16. Match the words to complete the sentence. You can $\qquad$ with your $\qquad$ . .

1. touch
a. eyes
2. smell
b. mouth
3. see
c. nose
4. taste
d. hand
A) $1 d / 2 b / 3 c / 4 a$
B) $1 \mathrm{~b} / 2 \mathrm{c} / 3 \mathrm{~d} / 4 \mathrm{a}$
C) $1 \mathrm{c} / 2 \mathrm{~b} / 3 \mathrm{a} / 4 \mathrm{~d}$
D) $1 \mathrm{~d} / 2 \mathrm{a} / 3 \mathrm{c} / 4 \mathrm{~b}$
E) $1 \mathrm{~d} / 2 \mathrm{c} / 3 \mathrm{a} / 4 \mathrm{~b}$

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In the dining room, the King pulls up a chair and sits down at the table. The food arrives. It smells so delicious! He grabs a slice of bread and takes a huge bite. Bam! The bread turns into gold. Angry, Midas throws the bread away and grabs some chicken instead. Bam! Gold.

17. The King cannot eat his food because
A) it tastes bad
B) it is cold
D) it changes into gold
E) it smells bad
C) it's not clean
18. Match the opposites:

1. sit down
a. leave
2. push
b. throw
3. arrive
c. stand up
4. catch
d. pull
A) $1 \mathrm{c} / 2 \mathrm{~d} / 3 \mathrm{a} / 4 \mathrm{~b}$
B) $1 \mathrm{c} / 2 \mathrm{~b} / 3 \mathrm{a} / 4 \mathrm{~d}$
C) $1 d / 2 c / 3 b / 4 a$
D) $1 \mathrm{a} / 2 \mathrm{~b} / 3 \mathrm{~d} / 4 \mathrm{c}$
E) $1 d / 2 b / 3 c / 4 a$

Everything turns into gold - the bread, the cheese, the fruits. Even the juice flows into his mouth like melted gold. He is starting to panic.

19. The food and the drinks $\qquad$ into gold.
A) turn
B) turns
C) is turning
D) to turn
E) don't turn

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20. Midas asks Dionysus $\qquad$
A) to give him food
B) to take back his gift
C) to come to his castle
D) to give him more gold
E) to turn food into gold

Midas goes back to Dionysus. He begs him to undo his magic. Dionysus feels sorry for him and agrees to help.

21. Midas promises $\qquad$ ..
A) never to be greedy again
B) to share his gold with other people
C) to release Dionysus from such a blessing
E) to be generous
D) to throw all his gold away

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22. Look at the picture! What's Dionysus doing?
A) He's crying
B) He's sleeping
C) He's eating
D) He's dancing
E) He's laughing

Dionysus sends Midas to have a bath in the Pactolus River and wash the spell away. The King follows Dionysus' instructions. The magic disappears...


People say that even now the river shines gold in the sun.
23. To wash the spell away, the King has to
A) throw his gold into the river
B) drink water from Pactolus river
C) bathe in the river
E) help poor people in need
24. What lesson does Midas learn in this story?
A) Hard work is always rewarded!
B) Be careful what you wish for!
C) Always help people in need!
D) Don't waste your time!
E) Don't waste your gold!


