

# Book of Mormon Search Questions Handout

Ether

#### Ether 1 THE LANGUAGES NOT CONFOUNDED

- 1. From where does Moroni take his abridgment?
- 2. Why did Moroni not write concerning the time from Adam to the great tower?
- 3. Who wrote the record from which Moroni took his account?
- 4. Why did the Lord not confound the language of Jared and their friends?
- 5. To where did the Lord agree to lead Jared and his associates?

#### Ether 2 BUILDING THE BARGES

- 1. To where were the people of Jared led and what did they do there?
- 2. What is the interpretation of deseret?
- 3. How were the Jaredites able to get into that quarter of land where man had never been before?
- 4. What were the decrees of God concerning the land of promise which the Jaredites were to inhabit?
- 5. To whom does Moroni address this decree?
- 6. Where was Moriancumr and how long did the Jaredites dwell there?
- 7. Why did the Lord chasten the brother of Jared? For how long?
- 8. Although the Lord forgave the brother of Jared, what warning did he give?
- 9. What was the manner of the building of the barges?
- 10. What two problems did the brother of Jared recognize in the barges?
- 11. What solution was given by the Lord to the first problem?
- 12. How did the Lord respond to the second problem?

# Ether 3 THE BROTHER OF JARED'S VISION OF THE LORD

- 1. What was the result of the fall according to the brother of Jared?
- 2. What did the brother of Jared request the Lord to do to the 16 stones?
- 3. Why was the brother of Jared struck with fear?
- 4. What did the brother of Jared really see and why?
- 5. Why did the Lord show himself unto the brother of Jared?
- 6. What did the Lord say had happened to the brother of Jared?
- 7. What did the Lord say about himself and those who believe on his name?
- 8. What was unique about the Lord's appearance?
- 9. Why body did the brother of Jared see?
- 10. Why could the brother of Jared not be kept within the veil?
- 11. What did the Lord prepare to interpret the things which the brother of Jared was to write?
- 12. What was shown to the brother of Jared?
- 13. What did the brother of Jared seal up?

#### Ether 4 THE SEALED RECORD TO COME FORTH

- 1. When were the things which the brother of Jared wrote to come forth?
- 2. Why did Moroni hide them up again?
- 3. What did Moroni write upon the plates which were sealed?
- 4. When were the things which the brother of Jared wrote to come to the Gentiles?
- 5. What promise is given to those who will believe these things?
- 6. Who is invited to come unto Christ and learn of these things?
- 7. Whose revelations will be unfolded following this time?
- 8. What may one know when this record is received?
- 9. What should one do who recognized the work of the Father has commenced?

#### Ether 5 BOOK OF MORMON WITNESSES

- 1. To whom is Chapter 5 apparently addressed?
- 2. To whom was the future translator of the plates to be privileged to show them?
- 3. How and why were three to be shown the plates?
- 4. What, in addition to the testimony of three, would show forth the power of God?
- 5. Who bears testimony of this work (Book of Mormon), a testimony against the world?
- 6. What final testimony of this work (Book of Mormon) is recorded in this chapter?

#### Ether 6 THE JAREDITES IN THE PROMISED LAND

- 1. Where were the stones which the Lord had prepared placed? Why?
- How were they able to proceed towards the promised land? (Compare 1 Nephi 18:8)
- 3. Unto what were their vessels likened?
- 4. How long were they upon the water? What did they do upon arrival?
- 5. How many were in the Jaredite group?
- 6. What was the brother of Jared's reaction to the people's desire?
- 7. Why were they allowed to have a king?
- 8. Who was the first king and how was his reign characterized?

## Ether 7 CAPTIVITY AND PEACE

- 1. How many sons and daughters did Orihah beget?
- 2. What saying of the brother of Jared was fulfilled by Corihor? (See Mosiah 29:16-19)
- 3. Where was the Land of Moron?
- 4. Out of what did Shule make swords?
- What happened to the country in the days of Shule and Cohor? (Compare 2 Nephi 5:5-6)
- 6. What did the Lord do in the days of Shule and what was the people's reaction? (Compare 2 Nephi 25:9)
- 7. How was Shule able to establish peace in the land?

# Ether 8 SECRET COMBINATIONS RESULTS

- 1. Where did the daughter of Jared get her idea to redeem the kingdom?
- What oaths did Akish administer to all his kinfolk? (Compare Helaman 6:21-30)
- Why are secret combinations abominable before the Lord? (Compare 2 Nephi 26:22)
- 4. What destructions had secret combinations caused? (Compare Helaman 2:12)
- 5. What does Moroni say about nations which uphold secret combinations? Why?
- 6. Why is it wisdom in God to show these things to the Gentiles?
- 7. What does the Lord command the Gentiles?
- 8. What do those who build up secret combinations seek?
- 9. What is it that builds up secret combinations?
- 10. Why was Moroni commanded to write these things?

#### Ether 9 THE JAREDITE ZION

- 1. Why did Omer depart out of the land and where did he go? (Compare 1 Nephi 17:35-40; Jacob 3:4; Omni 12)
- 2. How did Akish get the throne from his father-in law, Jared?
- 3. Why was Omer restored to the land of his inheritance? Compare Mormon 4:5
- 4. What was removed from the land and what happened in the reign of Emer?
- 5. What was especially useful to man at this time?
- 6. What did the Lord command in regards to the land?
- 7. What happened to Emer before he died?
- 8. What happened to Coriantum in his old age and how long did he live?
- 9. How many generations of righteousness were at this time?
- 10. What did Heth begin to embrace during the reign of Com?
- 11. Of what did the prophets testify after Heth slew his father?
- 12. When the people did not follow the prophets, what followed?
- 13. What also came upon the face of the land? From whom?
- 14. When did rain come again upon the face of the earth?

# Ether 10 A SECOND PERIOD OF PROSPERITY

- 1. What did Shez remember as he built on the broken people?
- 2. What did Riplakish introduce into his kingdom? Compare Mosiah 11:1-15)
- 3. Although Morianton did do justice unto the people, why was he cut off from the presence of the Lord?
- 4. How many successive generations of righteousness reign at this time?
- 5. What was destroyed in the days of Lib?
- 6. For what did they preserve the land southward?
- 7. Why did they heap up mighty heaps of earth?
- 8. How Blessed was the day of Lib? Compare Alma 50:19-22
- 9. What began again in the days of Com?

# Ether 11 THE PROPHETS TESTIFY

- 1. Of what did the prophets testify in the days of Com?
- 2. Of what did the prophets testify in the days of the brother of Shiblom?
- 3. Of what did the prophets testify in the days of Ethem?
- 4. Of what did the prophets testify in the days of Corianton?

# Ether 12 EXAMPLE OF FAITH

- 1. When did Ether prophecy and why wasn't he restrained?
- 2. What was the prophecy of Ether?
- 3. Why did the people not believe Ether?
- 4. What is Moroni going to show the world?
- 5. When did Christ show himself unto the fathers after his resurrection?
- 6. How does Moroni say that the reader may be partakers of the heavenly gift? What is the heavenly gift?
- 7. What does Moroni say has happened because of faith? Note comments also.
  - a. They of old
  - b. Law of Moses
  - c. Alma and Amulek
  - d. Nephi and Lehi
  - e. Ammon
  - f. Three disciples
  - g. Brother of Jared
  - h. My (Moroni's) fathers
- 8. Why was Moroni fearful that the Gentiles would mock?
- 9. In what were Moroni's people mighty? The Brother of Jared?
- 10. What was the Lord's answer to Moroni's fear?
- 11. What will the Lord show unto the Gentiles?
- 12. What does Moroni tell us about the faith of the Brother of Jared?

# Ether 12 continued

- 13. What does Moroni tell us about faith of the Brother of Jared?
- 14. What did Moroni say Christ had prepared? What was required to go there?
- 15. What does Moroni call Christ's laying down of His life for the world which was also required to go to the place prepared?
- 16. For what blessing to the Gentiles did Moroni pray? Why?
- 17. What did Christ tell Moroni?
- 18. To whom did Moroni bid farewell? Until when?
- 19. How did Moroni know of the things which he had written?

Did he know more?

13. What does Moroni command to the Gentiles?

# Ether 13 THE NEW JERUSALEMS

- 1. When did the land of the Americas become a choice land above all others?
- 2. Identify the various New Jerusalems or holy cities of which Ether prophesied.
  - a.
  - b.
  - с.
  - d.
- 3. What was the type of the New Jerusalem to be built on this lands (Americas)?
- 4. When Joseph builds a New Jerusalem upon their land of inheritance for how long shall it not be confounded?
- 5. When will the scripture be fulfilled..."they who were first who shall be last;...they who were last, who shall be first"?
- 6. Why did Moroni not write more of Ether's prophecies?
- 7. How did Ether see the destruction of his people?
- 8. What prophecy did Ether make to Coriantumr in the second year of his (Ether's) dwelling in the cavity of a rock?
- 9. What did Coriantumr's people seek to do to Ether?
- 10. Although Coriantumr did not go to battle for two years, what condition existed in the land?

# Ether 14 A CURSE UPON THE LAND

- 1. What curse came upon the land at this time?
- 2. What happened to Gilead?
- 3. How did Lib obtain the Kingdom?
- 4. Why was there a great fear of Shiz in the land?
- 5. How did the land become divided at this time?
- 6. Why were the people troubled by day and by night?
- 7. Why did Shiz not cease to pursue Coriantumr?
- 8. What "thus we see" did Moroni write to the reader?
- 9. Why did Shiz's army return to their camp although Coriantumr was wounded?

# Ether 14 CORIANTUMR, THE LAST SURVIVOR

- 1. As Coriantumr remembered Ether's words, how many people had already been killed?
- 2. Whose other words did Coriantumr begin to remember?
- 3. What offer did Coriantumr make to Shiz and what was Shiz's counteroffer?
- 4. What landmarks did the armies camp near?
- 5. What does Ether behold?
- 6. Who were armed with weapons of war?
- 7. What did the people do at night?
- 8. Why did Shiz refuse to accept Coriantumr's second offer to give up the kingdom?
- 9. How were the nights of the last battles described?
- 10. What did Shiz do after his head was cut off?
- 11. Where did Ether hide the record?
- 12. What were Ether's last words?