

A Quiz on Fox & the very first Friends

- 1) Which would be the best way to describe Oliver Cromwell if he lived in the world today?
 - a) King
 - b) Revolutionary
 - c) President
 - d) Military dictator
- 2) What did George's "Da" (daddy) do?
 - a) He was a poor shoemaker
 - b) He was an admiral and gave George a sword & mess of land
 - c) He was fairly well-off weaver
 - d) He was a shepherd who kept sheep on Pendle Hill
- 3) What was his dad's nickname?
 - a) Chris
 - b) Christopher the Good
 - c) Righteous Christer
 - d) That Old Fox
- 4) Why did George Fox leave home (at age 19)?
 - a) To join the army
 - b) To seek his fortune
 - c) His mom & dad told him it was time to get his own place
 - d) His girlfriend dumped him
 - e) He was curious about God and he wasn't happy with the answers the local priest gave him
- 5) Who joined George's merry band first?
 - a) Billy Penn
 - b) Meg Fell
 - c) Frank Howgill
 - d) Liz ("the Hoot") Hooton
- 6) How hard is it to climb Pendle Hill
 - a) It isn't really a hill cuz I went to Pennsylvania and saw it and it was really flat!
 - b) Kind of steep
 - c) Really steep
 - d) You have to use mountain climbing equipment to get up it
 - e) Too steep for Annie (on the day Peter & Annie were there)
- 7) Why did George climb Pendle Hill
 - a) To see what he could see
 - b) Because the road from Fenny Drayton to Firbank Fell went over it
 - c) God told him to do it in his heart
 - d) It has a really good view to the North and God wanted to show him all the places where a bunch of the Seekers lived who might join his new movement

- 8) Who were The Seekers?
- A Sixties folk band
 - A Quidditch player who is lightest, fastest & best at catching the Golden Snitch
 - A bunch of 17th century Dissenters with ideas close to George Fox's many of whom joined his movement
 - People looking for the truth
- 9) What was Firbank Fell like in 1652?
- A windy pasture on a ridge in the middle of nowhere
 - A village where a lot of Seekers lived
 - A bustling market town
 - Margaret Fell's house (that's why they called it Firbank Fell)
- 10) What is Firbank Fell like now?
- A shopping mall
 - A housing development
 - A used car dealership
 - A windy pasture on a ridge in the middle of nowhere
- 11) Why did George go to Firbank Fell? He heard there was gonna be:
- A big gathering of Seekers
 - A peace demonstration
 - A rock festival
 - A Civil War Re-enactment
 - A meeting that Margaret Fell was gonna be at & he wanted to meet her
- 12) What did Meg Fell's husband Tom do?
- Repair shoes
 - Work as a justice of the peace
 - Serve as Vice Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster
 - Herd sheep on Firbank Fell
 - Keep George out of prison (whenever he could)
- 13) Who were the Valiant Sixty?
- Superheroes in an early Marvel comic book series
 - A really big rock band
 - The main followers of Oliver Cromwell
 - A bunch of early Quakers who traveled around converting people to the Quaker movement
- 14) Roughly how many of the Valiant Sixty are thought to have been women?
- None because women weren't allowed to preach back then
 - None because it was too dangerous for women to travel around back then
 - Two: Elizabeth Hooton & Margaret Fell
 - About 12
 - About 20

Answers to Quiz:

1. d (Some might argue “b”) Although he ruled in the name of Parliament, he basically ignored and manipulated it freely and in reality ruled by military edict. His power was based squarely on the strength of the New Model Army.
2. c
3. c
4. e
5. d. It is not certain that Hooton was his first “convert” but she was definitely one of his earliest followers. It is also arguable that she converted George rather than the other way around. They were certainly two of the earliest leaders of what became the Friends movement. (She was not actually known as Liz the “Hoot”.)
6. c & e. (Annie denies “e.” She just said she was a bit tired & needed a break)
7. c & d (assuming we can in fact know God’s intentions)
8. all of the above
9. a
10. d
11. a
12. b, c & e (note that modern nicknames are for amusement only)
13. d
14. d. The exact number of women in the Valiant Sixty is not known. Some give this as 12. But it was certainly a significant number. It was also extraordinarily revolutionary that **any** of this group of traveling preachers were women.