Questions on Book of Ruth

(These questions can be used as a supplement while studying the book of Ruth or independently as a quiz for young people’s service, a contest between 2 groups, etc. Answers are in blue along with the Scripture reference.)

Chapter 1
1. What period in time does this story take place?
   Days of the judges (1:1)
2. What natural calamity had befallen the land?
   A famine (1:1)
3. What was Naomi’s band’s name?
   Elimelech (1:2)
4. What were Elimelech’s two sons’ names?
   Chilion and Mahlon (1:2)
5. What country did they journey to?
   Moab (1:2)
6. How long did they dwell there?
   About 10 years (1:4)
7. How many daughters-in-law did Naomi have?
   2 (1:4)
8. What were the names of Naomi’s 2 daughters-in-law?
   Orpah and Ruth (1:4)
9. Who’s three deaths occurred in Moab?
   Elimelech, Mahlon, and Chilion (1:3,5)
10. What did Naomi instruct her daughters-in-law to do?
    Return to their own homes (1:8)
11. Which daughter-in-law went back?
    Orpah (1:15)
12. What town did they come to?
    Bethlehem (1:19)
13. What did Naomi say her name was?
    Mara (1:22)
14. It was the beginning of what harvest?
    Barley (1:22)

Chapter 2
1. What was the financial status of Boaz?
   A mighty man of wealth (2:1)
2. What occupation did Ruth want to undertake?
   Glean in the field (2:2)
3. What commandment did Boaz tell Ruth he gave the young men concerning her?
   Not to touch her (2:9)
4. What did Ruth have for lunch?
   Bread dipped in vinegar and parched corn (2:14)
5. How much barley was Ruth able to glean that day?
   About an ephah (2:18)
6. What was Naomi’s reaction when she found out where Ruth had gleaned?
   Happy, satisfied, etc. (2:20)
7. How long was Ruth to glean in the fields?
   Till the end of barley and wheat harvests (2:22)
Chapter 3
1. What was Naomi’s desire for Ruth?
   
   Seek rest for her (marriage) (3:1)

2. Who was Naomi trying to match up Ruth with?
   
   Boaz (3:2)

3. What was Boaz doing that night?
   
   Winnowing barley (3:2)

4. What was Ruth to do after Boaz had laid down for the night?
   
   Lay down at his feet (3:4)

5. What time of the night did Boaz wake up?
   
   Midnight (3:8)

6. What did Boaz say when he found out it was Ruth at his feet?
   
   Blessed be thou of the Lord (3:10)

7. What obstacle stood in the way of their marriage?
   
   A nearer kinsman (3:12)

8. How much barley did Boaz give Ruth when she left?
   
   6 measures (3:15)

9. What was Naomi’s advice to Ruth when she came home?
   
   Sit still (3:18)

Chapter 4
1. Where did the elders of the city meet at?
   
   City gate (4:2)

2. How many of the elders were called to this meeting?
   
   10 (4:2)

3. What did Naomi have to sell?
   
   A parcel of land (4:3)

4. Why did the nearer kinsman change his mind about marrying Ruth and redeeming the parcel of land?
   
   Lest it mar his own inheritance (4:6)

5. What was their custom for completing transactions during this time period?
   
   Giving them their shoe (4:7)

6. What 2 people was Ruth to be like?
   
   Rachel and Leah (4:11)

7. What did Rachel and Leah do?
   
   Built the house of Israel (4:11)

8. How much better was Ruth to Naomi?
   
   Better then 7 sons (4:15)

9. Who was Ruth and Boaz’s grandson?
   
   Jesse (4:17)

10. Who was David’s grandfather?
    
    Obed (4:17)

11. What is the numerical position of the book of Ruth in the Bible?
    
    8th book