



Quick Check

Saladin

Name _____ Date _____

Instructions: Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. Which of the following is a fact about Saladin's childhood?
 - Ⓐ He was the son of a wealthy sultan and had five brothers.
 - Ⓑ He grew up in a time when Muslims controlled Jerusalem.
 - Ⓒ He was born to Christian parents living in Jerusalem.
 - Ⓓ He studied science, math poetry, and history in school.
2. What caused Saladin to become the new ruler of Egypt in 1169?
 - Ⓐ His father, the sultan, handed him control of Egypt.
 - Ⓑ His uncle, who was Egypt's ruler, passed away.
 - Ⓒ Egypt voted Saladin into power by holding an election.
 - Ⓓ He started a war with Egypt's ruler and forced him out of power.
3. Which of the following best describes Saladin?
 - Ⓐ harsh and firm
 - Ⓑ funny and entertaining
 - Ⓒ gentle and kind
 - Ⓓ mean and selfish
4. What happened after Saladin's army took control of Jerusalem in 1187?
 - Ⓐ Saladin allowed Christians to continue visiting their holy places in the city.
 - Ⓑ Saladin killed any Christian who was still in the city.
 - Ⓒ Saladin destroyed all of the Christian holy places.
 - Ⓓ Saladin forced all of the Christians out of the city.

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5. What is an empire?

- Ⓐ a collection of nations or people ruled by one person or government
- Ⓑ a ruler in a Muslim country, similar to a king or emperor
- Ⓒ a formal agreement of peace or friendship between two nations
- Ⓓ a political leader of an area or group, such as a colony or state

6. Extended Response: Saladin is remembered as a great leader who was kind to his enemies. Give examples from the book that show Saladin's kindness.



1. Ⓓ *Fact or Opinion*
2. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
5. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
6. Answers will vary but should include examples from the book of Saladin's kindness as a leader.