

# Test Your Catechism Knowledge

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*This quiz can help you, your students, and your students' families review what you know about our Catholic faith. Check your answers against the answer key on page 43.*

**1** Which book contains an official summary of all Catholic teachings?  
a) the Bible b) the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* c) the Gospel d) the lectionary

**2** The Pope wrote the *Catechism*. True | False

**3** The word *catechesis*, in Greek, means \_\_\_\_\_?  
a) Sunday school b) to give tests c) to teach d) to echo

**4** The *Catechism* is called "universal" because it was written for \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) the universal Church b) people who like *Star Wars* c) aliens d) people who study planets

**5** The head catechist in a parish is the \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) high school principal b) 2nd grade math teacher c) pastor d) Pope

**6** The current universal catechism is the first catechism ever written.  
True | False

**7** The \_\_\_\_\_ is the head catechist in the diocese.  
a) youth minister b) local pastor c) bishop d) Pope

**8** The *Catechism* was written primarily for children.  
True | False

**9** St. \_\_\_\_\_ was the Pope when the universal catechism was written.  
a) Jesus b) Francis c) John d) John Paul II

**10** Before the Bible was written, people were taught about Jesus by his \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) enemies b) apostles c) angels d) grandparents

**11** "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, \_\_\_\_\_ them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20).  
a) requiring b) inviting c) forcing d) teaching

**12** Christian history experts say the earliest catechism was called \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) *The Iliad* b) the Jesus story c) the *Didache* d) the Bible

**13** Learning about our Catholic faith ends when we \_\_\_\_\_.  
a) die b) receive Baptism c) receive Confirmation d) receive first Communion

**14** The Apostles' \_\_\_\_\_ contains the most basic statement of Catholic teaching.  
a) Creed b) *Catechism* c) Parable d) Club



**15** The official teachings of the Catholic Church come from both Scripture and Tradition.  
True | False

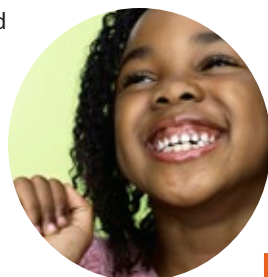
**16** When a baby is baptized, who receives catechesis?  
a) the baby b) grandparents c) uncles d) parents

**17** To receive first Communion, a child must be the age of reason, which is about \_\_\_\_\_ years old.  
a) 2 b) 7 c) 18 d) 21

**18** The *Catechism* uses the Ten \_\_\_\_\_ to explain how to follow Jesus and be a disciple.  
a) Commandments b) Beatitudes c) Corporal Works of Mercy d) Apostles

**19** The *Catechism* uses the \_\_\_\_\_ to teach about Christian prayer.  
a) Rosary b) Act of Contrition c) Hail Mary d) Lord's Prayer

**20** A version of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* geared for teens and young adults is called *YOUCAT*.  
True | False



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The *Baltimore Catechism* is a universal catechism. True | False

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