

INSTITUTION OF FREE MASONS

1. Question. Peace be here. A. I hope there is.
2. What a Clock is it ? A. Tis going to 12 or 'tis going to 6
3. Are you very busy ? A. No.
4. Will you give or take ? A. Both or which you please.
5. How go Squares ? A. Straight
6. Are you rich or poor ? A. Neither
7. Change me that ✻? I will
8. In the name of God, Amen, Are you a Mason ? A Mason
9. What is a Mason ? A man begot of a man, born of a woman & Brother to a King.
10. What is a fellow ? A Companion to a Prince
11. How shall I know if you are a Right Mason ? A. By Signs, Tokens & Points of my Entry
12. Which is the 1st Point of your Entry ? A. To hide & conceal under the Penalty of having my Throat cut, or my Tongue cut out of my Head.
- 13 Where were you made a Mason ? In a just & perfect Lodge.
- 14 How many makes a Lodge ? A. God & the Square, w^t 7 or 5 right & perfect Masons on the highest mountain or the lowest valley in the world.
- 15 Why do odd Numbers make a lodge ? A. Because all Odds are Men's advantages.
- 16 What lodge are you of ? The Lodge of S^t John 5.
- 17 How doth that Lodge stand ? Perfect East & West as all holy Temples do.
- 18 Where's th Masters Post ? A. At the East window waiting the rising of the Sun to set his men at work.
19. Where's the Warden's Post ? A. At the West window waiting the Setting of the Sun, to dismiss the entred Apprentice.
20. Who rules & governs the Lodge & is Master of it ? A. Iehovah the right Pillar.
- 21 How is it govern'd ? Of Square, Plumb & Rule L I
- 22 Have you a Key of the Lodge ? Yes I have
- 23 What is its Virtue ? To open & Shut & to Shut & open
24. Where do you keep it ? A. In an Ivory Box betwixt my Tongue & Teeth, or w^tin my heart, where all my Secrets are kept.

- 25 Have you a Chain to the Key ? Yes I have
26. How Long is it ? It is as long as from my Tongue to my Heart.
27. How many precious lewels ? A. Three a Square where a Diadem & a Square
- 28 How many Lights ? Three a Right East, South & West.
- 29 What do they represent ? A. The three Persons of the holy Trinity Father S. & H.G^t
30. How many Pillars ? Two I . . hin & Boaz.
31. What do they represent ? A. Strength & Stability to the Church in all Ages.
32. How many Angles are in S^t Iohn's Lodge ? **H** A. Four boarding on Squares.
- 33 How is the Meridian found out ? A. When the Sun leaves the South, & breaks in at the West End of the Lodge.
- 34 In what part of the Temple was the Lodge kept ? A. In Solomon's Porch at the west End of the Temple, where the Two Pillars were set up.
35. How many Steps belong to a Right Mason ? Three.
36. Give me the Salutation ? A. I will. The right Worshipful Master & Worshipful fellows of the Right Worsh. Lodge from whence I came greet you well, as I do. God's greeting be at this our Meeting & with the R. W Masters & W. Fellows of the R. W. Lodge whence you came, & you also.
- 37 Give me the Ierusalem Words ? G. G
- 38 Give me the Universal Words ?
- 39 Right, Brother of ours, Give me your Name ? M or N
- 40 Welcome Brother M or N to our Society. How many Principal Points pertain to a right Mason ? A. Three. Fraternity, Fidelity, Taciturnity.
- 41** What do they represent ? A. Brotherly Love, Relief & Truth, amongst all right & perfect Masons, for W^e Masons were ordain'd at the Building of the Tower of Babel & the Temple of Ierusalem.
42. How many proper Points ? Five, foot to foot, Knee to Knee Hand to Hand, Heart to Heart & Ear to Ear
- 43 Whence is an Arch deriv'd ? From Architecture.
- 44** What doth it resemble ? The Rainbow
- 45 How many orders in Architecture ? A. Five, Tuscan, Dorick, Ionick, Corinthian, Composit
46. What do they answer to ? They answer to Base Perpendicular Diameter Circumference & Square
- 47 Which is the right Word or Point of a right Mason ? A. Adieu

THE OATH

Nov^r 24th

You must Serve God according to the best of your Knowledge & Institution, & be a true Liege man to the King, & to help & assist any Brother of the antient & Noble Science, as far as your Ability will allow you, So by the Contents of this Sacred write you'll perform this Oath. So help you God

THE HEALTH

Here's a Health to our Society & to every faithful Brother that keeps Oath of Secrecy as we are sworn to love each other, the world no order knows like this of our ancient & noble fraternity, Let them wonder what the Mystery is. Here Fellow I drink to thee.

HOW TO KNOW A FREE MASON

- 1. To put off the with two fingers & a Thumb
- 2. To strick w^t the Right Hand on the of the 5 times as if hewing.
- 3 By making a Square, namely, by setting the Heels together & the Toes of both Feet spread out at a distance, or by any other way of Triangle.
- 4 To take Hand in Hand w^t Left & Right Thumbs closs, touching the 5 times hard w^t the forefinger on each place
- 5 You must whisper Saying thrice, the M^r, Fellows of the Right Worshipful Company whence I came greet you well Then the other will answer, God greet well, the M^r, Fellows of the Worshipful Lodge or Company from whence you came—and then— How do you do Brother ? & drink to each other & ask, In what Lodge were you made a free Mason ?
- 6. The greatest is to Stroak two of your fore-fingers over the

Guttural Sign—Pedestal Sign

Manual Pectoral

3 anno Henr. 6 Chap. I. An act of Parliam^t is made to abolish the Society of free Masons, & its made felony to hold any of those meetings—

Alphabet

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THE CHARACTER OF A MASON

If all y^e Social Virtues of y^e Mind
If an extensive love to all mankind
If hospitable welcome to a Guest
If speedy charity to y^e distress'd
If due regard to liberty & Laws
Zeal for our King & for our Countrys cause
Let Masons yⁿ enjoy y^e praise they claim.