

Quiz on the Brontë Family NWR Online Talk by Margaret Mills

1. How many children did Patrick and Maria Brontë have? **(Six)**
2. Where did Patrick grow up? **(Ireland)**
3. Who educated the young Patrick? **(Reverend Thomas Tighe)**
4. Which university did Patrick attend, bonus point for the college name? **(Cambridge, St John's College)**
5. In what order were the children who reach adulthood born? **(Charlotte, Bramwell, Emily, Anne)**
6. Who looked after the children when Maria died? **(Maria's sister, Elizabeth/Bessy)**
7. What is Top Withins and what is it believed to have inspired? **(ruined farmhouse, Wuthering Heights)**
8. What was Glass Town? **(an imaginary world, created by the four children)**
9. Which of Bramwell's birthday presents that he received in about 1826, did the children include in their stories? **(toy soldiers)**
10. Who was Charlotte Brontë's hero? **(the Duke of Wellington)**
11. In which Brontë novel was the girls' experience at Cowan Bridge school, Lancashire, an inspiration? **(Charlotte Brontë's Jane Eyre, Lowood School).**
12. Which sister was most successful as a governess? **(Anne)**
13. Who was the keenest poet of the four children? **(Bramwell)**
14. The girls self-published a book of poems, how many copies were sold? **(2)**
15. The first books of each of the three sisters were published under male pseudonyms, what did they all have in common? **(Same surname – Bell or Same initials as their own name)**
16. Of what did most of the Brontës die? **(TB/consumption)**
17. Who published in 1857, Charlotte's first biography "The Life of Charlotte Brontë"? **(Elizabeth Gaskell)**
18. Who refused to attend Charlotte's wedding to Arther Bell Nicholls? **(her father)**
19. Which Brontë book was about female loneliness? **(Vilette)**
20. All but one of the Brontë family are buried together, where is the burial vault situated? **(Haworth Parsonage)**
21. Which family member is not buried with the family and where is he/she buried? **(Anne, in Scarborough)**
22. Who was the last surviving member of the Brontë family? **(Patrick, the father)**