

Answers

1. Explain two things Jesus did after his resurrection.

Accept two:

After his resurrection, Jesus conversed with the disciples, taught people about God's message of love, encouraged people to reflect on their behaviour in order to enter the kingdom of Heaven.

2. What were the disciples going to do after Jesus had left them?

After Jesus had left them, the disciples would have had the important job of travelling around, spreading the word of God to everyone.

3. Find and copy one word which means 'help'.

assist

4. Look at the paragraph beginning "The clouds descended ..."

What impression do you get about how the disciples were feeling?

Answers will vary, but based on the disciples having unanswered questions and feeling bewildered.

5. The disciples met to discuss their fears. Why do you think they had fears?

Answers will vary, but should be based on: Jesus had left them/they didn't understand what he meant regarding the gift from God/they were afraid of the job they were expected to do.

6. Tick the correct box for each statement in the table.

	True	False
Flames of fire settled on the top of each of the disciples' heads.	✓	
The disciples realised they could speak the same language.		✓
The gift of the Holy Spirit arrived quietly and calmly.		✓
The arrival of the Holy Spirit left the disciples shocked and amazed.	✓	
The people on the streets understood what the disciples were saying, even though they were from Galilee.	✓	

The disciples realised they were all speaking different languages.

The gift of the Holy Spirit arrived with a violent wind which filled the building they were in.

7. Why did Peter speak to the travellers in the streets?

Peter spoke to the travellers in the streets to encourage them to repent their sins, ask for forgiveness and get baptised. He tried to tell them that they too could receive the Holy Spirit.

8. Why would the arrival of the gift of the Holy Spirit help the disciples to do their job? Explain in detail.

The arrival of the gift of the Holy Spirit helped the disciples to do their job because they needed to travel to other countries and spread the word of God. This would have been very difficult if they could not speak the language of the countries they went to. They needed to tell people in their own language.

9. Why is Pentecost recognised as the time of birth of the Christian Church?

Pentecost is recognised as the time of birth of the Christian Church because so many people were baptised that day and it was the day the disciples began spreading the word of God around the world.

10. Write three things you have learned about Pentecost.

Answers will vary.