

THE MAGIC WORLD OF NAMES

Common First Names and Their Meanings

We all use a number of first names such as Paul, Peter, Joseph, and David in everyday conversation. But do you ever stop to consider the original meanings? You may be surprised at some. How many can you answer correctly?

Instructions: For each of the names select the correct meaning and indicate its letter at the space on the left.

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| ___ 1. Paul | a. The rock (Latin). |
| ___ 2. Claude. | b. The gatherer (Hebrew). |
| ___ 3. Peter. | c. The beloved (Hebrew). |
| ___ 4. Joseph. | d. Gift of God (Hebrew). |
| ___ 5. David. | e. The supplanter (Hebrew). |
| ___ 6. John. | f. The small one (Latin). |
| ___ 7. James. | g. The lame one (Latin). |
| ___ 8. William. | h. God is salvation (Hebrew). |
| ___ 9. George. | i. The strong one (Germanic). |
| ___ 10. Jesus. | j. The farmer (Greek). |



Answers: 1. f., 2. g., 3. a., 4. b., 5. c., 6. d.,
7. e., 8. i., 9. j., 10. h.