Why was Queen Vashti deposed by King Xerxes?

- A. She was caught plotting against the king
- B. She was accused of stealing from the royal treasury
- C. She insulted the king in front of his guests
- D. She refused to come to the king's banquet when summoned

What was the king's response to Queen Vashti's refusal?

- A. He issued a royal decree to remove her from being queen
- B. He banished her from the kingdom
- C. He gave her another chance to apologize
- D. He imprisoned her in the royal dungeons

Who suggested that a new queen be chosen to replace Vashti?

- A. Queen Vashti herself
- B. The king's advisors and officials
- C. A foreign ambassador
- D. King Xerxes' mother

What qualities were the king's officials looking for in a new queen?

- A. Wise and experienced women of noble birth
- B. Older women with royal connections
- C. Skilled in combat and diplomacy
- D. Beautiful young virgins from all over the kingdom

How did Esther come to the attention of the king's officials?

• A. She was a close friend of Queen Vashti

- B. She was chosen to participate in the beauty contest
- C. She saved the king's life from an assassination attempt
- D. She was a famous singer in the kingdom

What was Esther's original name before she became queen?

- A. Hadassah
- B. Leah
- C. Rachel
- D. Miriam

How did Esther win the favor of the king during the beauty contest?

- A. She had a powerful ally in the king's court
- B. She won his heart with her beauty and charm
- C. She performed a miraculous feat in front of him
- D. She bribed the judges to choose her as the winner

Who advised Esther not to reveal her true identity as a Jew?

- A. Queen Vashti
- B. Haman
- C. Mordecai
- D. King Xerxes

What role did Esther play in the events leading to Queen Vashti's deposition?

- A. She was chosen to replace Vashti as queen
- B. She orchestrated Vashti's downfall
- C. She tried to defend Vashti's actions
- D. She was unaware of the reasons behind Vashti's removal

How did the king react to Esther being chosen as the new queen?

- A. He regretted his decision and tried to reverse it
- B. He banished her when he found out her true identity
- C. He ignored her and continued ruling alone
- D. He held a great banquet in her honor

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