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Topic : - Short Questions on Paradise Lost (2)

9. For what does Milton invoke the Heavenly Muse?

Muses are nine goddesses who preside over the arts and sciences, Milton invokes his muse, whom he identifies as the Holy Spirit, to fill his mind with divine knowledge and guidance in his great work of singing about man's disobedience and the consequent loss of Paradise.

10. Why were Adam and Even expelled from Paradise?

Satan, in the disguise of a serpent, convinced Eve to eat the Forbidden Fruit. She in turn convinced Adam to have a taste. As a result of Adam and Eve's sin of eating the Forbidden Fruit, they were expelled from Paradise.

11. Why did Eve eat the forbidden fruit?

Satan, in the disguise of a serpent, entered Paradise. Finding Eve alone, he flattered her beauty and godliness. Eve was amazed to see a creature of the Garden speak. Satan told her that he had gained the gift of speech by eating a particular fruit. Even was seriously tempted and ate the Forbidden Fruit.

12. Is Eve to blame for the fall?

It is hard to blame Eve alone for the fall. Both Eve and Adam were given free will. Eve ate first, but Adam also ate the Forbidden Fruit. If Adam was not able to resist his wife, how could he resist Satan?

13. For what sin was Satan cast out of Heaven?

Satan became vain about his beauty and position, and his heart became rebellious against God. As a punishment, God cast him out of heaven and sent him to earth for his sin - the revolt against God.

14. How long did it take Satan to fall from Heaven to Hell?

It took nine days and nine nights for Satan to fall from Heaven to Hell.

15. What demon is floating alongside Satan in the fiery lake at the beginning of the poem?

It was Beelzebub, Satan's second in command in the hierarchy of fallen angels who was floating alongside Satan in the fiery lake at the beginning of the poem.

16. What is pandemonium?

In "Paradise Lost" Satan and fallen angels built a palace that was called 'Pandemonium'. In this palace fallen angels assemble for meeting.