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From Book 1 Chapter 1

1. Why did Igraine want she and her husband to leave the kingdom?
2. What does the council advice Uther to do if the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall refuse the summons to the castle?
3. The couple refuses to appear before Uther. What does the king tell them?
4. How many castles does the Duke secure? What were the names of the castles? What's his plan for these castles? What happened?
5. Why does King Uther become sick?
6. Who is Sir Ulfius? What's he do?
7. Under what condition does Merlin agree to help the king?

From Book 1 Chapter 2

8. What does Merlin ask in return for helping King Uther?
9. How does Merlin arrange for King Uther to lie with Igraine?
10. What happened to the Duke as Uther made his way to Igrain's castle of Tintagel?
11. After the death of the Duke and after Igrain realizes what happened that very night, what does she resolve to do?
12. What do the barons want to happen between Igraine and Uther? What happens?
13. Who are Gawain's parents?
14. What happened to Morgan le Fay?

** Morgana le Fay was an important force in Sir Gawain and the Green Knight. Here the source of her knowledge of sorcery is revealed. In some stories Morgan harms Arthur, but later takes him away to cure his wounds after his final battle.

From Book 1 Chapter 3

1. How does Igraine learn who fathered her child? How does she feel when she learns this?
2. Who is Sir Ector?
3. What happens to the baby born to Igraine and Uther?

From Book 1 Chapter 4

1. Two years later, King Uther is sick and what is happening in his kingdom?
2. What advice does Merlin give Uther? What happened?
3. Three days later, Uther is sicker and can't speak. What advice does Merlin give the barons?
4. What arrangement did King Uther make for his succession?

From Book 1 Chapter 5

1. What problem was there after Uther's death?
2. How is the king to be determined?
3. What's written on the sword?

4. Where is the stone? Who's in charge of this place? During what holiday season is this happening?
5. Who is to watch the sword until the rightful king arrives?
6. What is schedule for New Year's Day?
7. Who is Sir Kay? What does he ask Arthur to do?
8. What did Arthur do? Why? Who does this make Arthur?

Book 1 Chapter 6

1. After taking the sword from the stone several times, what does Sir Ector tell Arthur? What is Arthur's reaction?
2. What does Arthur promise to do for Kay?
3. How did the lords feel about Arthur being king?
4. Why is the coronation of Arthur continually delayed?
5. Who and Why does the Archbishop send Uther's "loved best and most trusted" knights to Arthur?

From Book 1 Chapter 7

1. At what holiday is Arthur finally crowned?
2. Why is Arthur accepted as king? What do the people say to show they accept him as king?
3. How does Arthur correct the wrongs done since Uther's death?
4. What happens to Sir Kay, Sir Baudwin, Sir Ulfius, and Sir Brastias?
5. Within a few years, what has Arthur accomplished?

From Book 21, Chapter 7

6. What legend surrounds the death of King Arthur?