St. Joan Girl Soldier (Louis de Wohl)
These chapter-by-chapter questions are designed to measure comprehension in this Vision Book.
Chapter 1

1. What kind of girl did Joan’s father describe her as?
2. What did her father dream about her?
3. Who did Joan want to go visit?
4. What were the people in the country united by?
5. How would you describe Joan’s mother and why?
6. Describe how Joan was in prayer.
7. Who did Joan’s mother feel that Joan was obeying?
8. Who had Joan and her cousin gone to see before?
9. How did Joan know that their first visit would end in failure?
10. What did her cousin say that Joan’s mission was?
11. Would Joan have not gone if her parents had forbidden her?
12. What was the main reason that Joan’s cousin not want to go with her again?

CHAPTER 2

1. How long ago had Joan and her cousin visited de Baudricourt.
2. How has the French army fared in previous battles?
3. What two reasons does de Baudricourt give for their defeats?
4. How do the nobles treat the dauphin, and why?
5. What happens to the tax money for the Royal Treasury?
6. Who did the dauphin’s mother hurt France?
7. What was the prophecy about two women?
8. What do de Baudricourt’s assistants think about Joan and the prophecy?
9. What makes Bertrand thing that Joan is not a witch?
10. What did Joan ask de Baudricourt for?
11. Who does Joan say she listens to in prayer?
12. What proof does Joan offer of the truth of the message of her Voices?
13. Who are the three Saints that Joan hears in her Voices?
14. How did de Baudricourt react to Joan’s request?
15. What did Joan predict?
16. How did Poulengy feel about Joan and her request?

CHAPTER 3

1. What happened late on the ninth day that Joan had predicted?
2. What had the French decided to do about an English supply convoy?
3. Why did La Hire not attack the English when he came on them first?
4. Why did the French loose the battle?
5. Because Joan’s prediction was true, what did Laurent advise be done?
6. What was de Baudricourt’s greatest fear in sending Joan to the dauphin?
7. What did de Baudricourt do to aid in the decision he had to make?
8. How did Joan appear the next morning?
9. What ‘sign’ did de Baudricourt receive early the next morning?
10. Why were Jean and Bertrand happy?
11. Why didn’t Joan fear highwaymen she might encounter on her journey?
12. What message did Joan give her cousin for her parents?
13. What evidence is there that de Baudricourt’s attitude toward Joan had changed?

CHAPTER 4

1. How is Joan treated as news of the reason for her visit spreads?
2. What is the state of the troops in the castle when Joan is invited in?
3. What is the Archbishop’s attitude toward the dauphin? Toward Joan?
4. Why does the dauphin ask the Archbishop for money?
5. Why is the Duke of La Tremoille angry?

6. What does the Duke threaten to do is the dauphin agrees to Joan’s request?

7. What is Tremoille’s attitude toward the dauphin?

8. What test does the Dauphin decide to put Joan to?

9. How did the dauphin deal with insults directed at him?

10. How does the crowd of courtiers react to Joan’s entry?

11. How does Joan pass the dauphin’s test?

12. How does the dauphin know that God truly sent Joan?

CHAPTER 5

1. How do the people react to Joan?

2. What further sign did Joan give in her request for a sword?

3. What factor did age make in the factions?

4. What emotions did Joan inspire throughout France and besieged Orleans?

5. What course of action did the two factions agree to?

6. How did Joan react to the many books referred to by the inquisitors?

7. How does Joan respond to the suggestion that God could miraculously save France?

8. Why do the Church officials decide to recommend that Joan be trusted?

9. What did the standard look like that Joan’s Voices revealed to her?

10. What was Joan’s first action towards the English invaders?

11. What command did Joan give to La Hire and the soldiers?

12. What had happened, as a sign, to the soldier who first cursed in Joan’s presence?

13. What did Joan say the men could ‘swear by’?

14. How did the soldiers react to the order of ‘no cursing’?

15. What did Joan say each soldier must do before being allowed to fight?

16. Why was food gathered before the battle?
CHAPTER 6
1. What problems did Joan have resting?
2. What was Joan worried about?
3. What did Joan discover that proved that the commanders had disobeyed her?
4. What reason did the commanders give for disobeying Joan?
5. How does the seasoned Dunois accept Joan’s criticism of his actions?
6. Why does Dunois doubt Joan’s assurance that the east wind will stop?
7. How does Dunois react when the wind abruptly changes direction?
8. Why does Dunois want Joan to enter Orleans?
9. What happened when the banner was accidentally set afire?
10. What concern did La Hire have about Joan that the food dispelled?
11. How did the first attack Joan supported end?
12. What did Joan do to warn the English to leave?
13. What should the English troops have done, but didn’t, when Joan left Orleans?
14. What aroused Joan from her sleep?
15. How did Joan react to the retreating French troops?
16. How did the rumors about Joan and her fearless ride toward their lines effect the English?
17. What did Joan do to halt the English reinforcements?
18. How did Joan react when hearing news of the deaths of the English troops in Saint-Loup?
19. What did Joan order all troops to do?

CHAPTER 7
1. How did the commanders deceive Joan?
2. Who speaks up for Joan’s leadership?
3. How to the English react to Joan’s third letter?
4. Is Joan fooled by the commanders’ plans to deceive her? How do you know?
5. What was the result of the battle fought without Joan?

6. How did Joan get the retreating French to attack again?

7. What did the citizens of Orleans do as the battle was raging?

8. How did the battle of the Augustinian fort end?

9. Why does Joan ask her Confessor to remain with her during the next day’s battle?

10. Where do the commanders concede Joan gets her leadership ability?

11. What do the commanders decide, without Joan, about the next day?

12. How does Joan react to the order that the city gates are to remained closed?

13. What do the commanders remaining in the city decide to do?

14. Why did Joan attack the strongest fort of the English?

15. What happened to Joan as she mounted with assault ladder?

16. Why weren’t the English able to capture Joan?

17. How did Joan’s manner change after being given Absolution?

18. How was the arrow removed from Joan?

19. How did Joan react to the news that they French were withdrawing?

20. How did Joan show forgiveness towards de Gamache who had refused to serve under her?

21. What did Joan do after removing the arrow?

22. How did Joan’s re-appearance after being shot by the deadly arrow effect the English?

23. How did the French destroy many of the retreating English troops?

CHAPTER 8
1. What do the English commanders conclude?

2. What two things do the English think Joan is?

3. What two options do the English discuss?

4. Does Joan follow the advice of her physicians?
5. How did Joan and the French observe the Sunday after victory?
6. Did Joan allow the French to attack the retreating English?
7. What did Joan do after the victory?
8. How did the dauphin reward Joan?

CHAPTER 9

1. What did Joan’s enemies do at Loches?
2. What does La Tremoille want the dauphin to do?
3. How does La Tremoille attempt to pressure the dauphin?
4. Why does the Archbishop want the dauphin to seek peace with the English?
5. What solution does Joan give the dauphin to the problem of lack of funds?
6. What does Joan do when others fail to listen to the words God has given her?
7. What prophecy does Joan make about herself to the dauphin?
8. How does Joan supernaturally save the Duke’s life?
9. What happens to Joan during the attack on Tourelles fort?
10. What skillful thing did Joan do to help defeat the English?
11. What does the English Earl of Suffolk do?
12. What does the next English fort do?
13. How are the English defeated?
14. What does Joan do for a dying English soldier?

CHAPTER 10

1. How are the French reacting to Joan and the French victories?
2. Why are the French unsure as to whether to support the dauphin?
3. Why was the treaty giving the French throne to the Duke of Burgundy not valid?
4. Did the commanders take Joan’s advice and attack Auxerre?
5. What happened when Troyes refused to acknowledge the dauphin?
6. How did the dauphin show he had statesman-like abilities?

7. Why did the official in Rheims ignore the dauphin’s letters?

8. Why was Bishop Cauchon loyal to the Burgundians?

9. What did the Bishop say would happen to the officials if they allowed the dauphin to enter? (P. 132).

10. What connection did Joan have with St. Remigius?

11. How did the dauphin gain entry to Rheims?

12. How did the people of Rheims react to the dauphin?

13. What problems did the official have in preparing for the coronation?

14. Why was Joan disturbed during her night of prayer?

15. How does Joan react to the acclaim given her?

16. What sin did Joan fear most because of the praise directed toward her?

17. What role did Joan play in the coronation?

18. Is Joan truly happy about the coronation and the state of France?

CHAPTER 11

1. What sign was sent to the dauphin by towns that they submitted to him?

2. Why couldn’t Joan advise the new King on whether to seek war or peace?

3. Did the Voices tell Joan to lead the assault on Paris?

4. What defeats were suffered by Joan that day?

5. What happened to most of the French army?

6. What did the Voices reveal to Joan?

7. How did the battle of Margny begin and why did its outcome change?

8. How did the enemy know how to identify Joan?

9. How did Joan react to the Duke of Burgundy when he visited her?

10. How was Joan treated as a prisoner of the Duke?

11. What false accusation did they direct at Joan when she jumped from the wall?
12. How did the English gain control of Joan?

13. What could the new King have done to free Joan?

CHAPTER 12

1. How did La Hire and Dunois try to help Joan?

2. Why was Joan’s trial invalid and unwarranted?

3. What prophecy did Joan give about the English?

4. What did Joan say about the new King at her trial?

5. What did Joan’s cousin reveal about the result of her trial?

6. How did Joan’s mother defend the Church against the action taken against Joan?

7. What happened to the priests and religious who supported Joan at the trial?

8. Did Joan break under the severe questioning?

9. What did the Voices say to her to encourage her?

10. What did Bishop Cauchon do that revealed that he knew Joan was innocent?

11. Why did Bishop Cauchon tremble?

12. Who did Joan blame most for her death?

13. What did an English archer give Joan for comfort?

14. What was the last name uttered by Joan as she was burned to death?

15. What did an English nobleman admit about their action toward Joan?

16. What was the attitude of those that had taken part in Joan’s death?

17. What happened to Joan’s enemies after her death?

18. Why did the King hesitate to re-open Joan’s trial?

19. What did Joan’s mother do to try to clear Joan’s name?

20. How did the Pope react to Isabelle Romee’s petition?

21. How was the reopening of Joan’s case handled?

22. Joan was vindicated and the judges declared guilty.
23. French soldiers invoked her aid in battle and studied her tactics.

24. The English acknowledged the wrong done in the past to Joan by their countrymen.

25. What was Joan's attitude toward the English, her enemies?